

**KEMPINSKI HOTEL BRISTOL  
BERLIN  
Managed by Kempinski Hotels  
FACT SHEET**

**LOCATION**

Kurfürstendamm 27, 10719 Berlin, Germany.

The hotel is situated on one of the most popular boulevards, the Kurfürstendamm, with elegant boutiques, theatres and department stores literally on its doorstep. 9 km to Tegel airport, 6 km to Tempelhof airport and 25 km to Schönefeld airport. Just 0.5 km from the train station 'Zoologischer Garten' and 3 km from the exhibition centre.

**GENERAL MANAGER**

Uwe Klaus

**HISTORY**

The history of West Berlin's oldest hotel began already in 1872 when Berthold Kempinski, a Jewish businessman, opened a wine store with restaurant in Berlin's Kronenstraße. The business flourished and, only a short while later, he also opened the M. Kempinski & Co. wine restaurant on the corner Friedrich/Leipziger Straße. In 1889 a further restaurant opened in the Leipziger Straße. After Berthold Kempinski's death in 1910 his family continued to successfully manage the businesses. In 1918 the impressive Kempinski opened on the Kurfürstendamm 27 and, in 1928, the legendary Haus Vaterland opened on the Potsdamer Platz with its 13 themed restaurants. During the Third Reich, the family had to sell its properties and emigrated from Germany to USA. The Restaurant Kempinski was "arianized" and continued under the name "F. W. Borchardt". Unfortunately, the restaurant on Kurfürstendamm 27 was completely destroyed shortly before the end of the war by a fire. A grandson of the owner, Dr. Friedrich Unger, returned from the USA in 1950. In 1951 he began building a hotel on Kurfürstendamm 27 which was opened in 1952 under the name "Bristol Hotel Kempinski". This modern and progressive five-star hotel was the first and only luxury hotel in West Berlin and remained so, undisputed, for 20 years. In 1953 Unger sold his shares and the Kempinski name to the Hotelbetriebs-Aktiengesellschaft (a hotel-owning company), founded in Berlin in 1897, which already had hotels such as the Baltic and the Kaiserhof. The Bristol name was carried on and is, still today, part of the Kempinski Hotel Bristol on the Ku'damm 27.

**DESCRIPTION**

The Kurfürstendamm, also endearingly referred to as the "Ku'damm" by locals is, with its smart shops, elegant boutiques, countless restaurants and cafes, one of Berlin's most popular boulevards. The 3.5 km and 53 metre wide grand boulevard runs from Berlin's central famous Memorial Church to the villa district of Halensee. Set in the heart of all the lively bustle of the city, the Kempinski Hotel Bristol Berlin has been welcoming guests here for more than half a century.

**ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN**

Exterior Architect:	Paul Schwebes and Hans Schoßberger
Interior Design/rooms:	Ken Smith Design
Interior Design/ Public Area Design:	Ake Larson, Living Design

## **ROOMS & SUITES**

249 rooms and 52 suites, including 131 non smoking rooms, all equipped with TV, minibar, air conditioning, ISDN and Wireless LAN. 110 square metre Presidential Suite on the eleventh floor features two bedrooms, two bathrooms, and separate rooms for security staff and chauffeur with a spectacular panoramic view over Berlin. Classic interior design with English furniture and antiques, walnut wood panelling and Prussian porcelain from the famous KPM manufactory.

## **SERVICES**

Multi-lingual staff, 24-hour concierge, 24-hour room service, laundry and dry-cleaning, valet parking, limousine service, babysitter on request. Beauty salon and hairdressers, newsagent.

## **RESTAURANT & BARS**

Kempinski Grill – legendary gourmet restaurant serving exquisite international cuisine in an elegant setting.

Reinhard's im Kempinski – French bistro cuisine in a relaxed atmosphere with a terrace on two levels to the Kurfürstendamm.

Bristol Bar – classic cocktail bar with extensive wine menu, changing exhibition of modern artists.

Gobelin Hall – afternoon tea in an exclusive setting with open fireplace and precious wall hangings.

## **MEETING & CONFERENCE FACILITIES**

Separate conference level on the first floor with nine elegant rooms and a large ballroom for up to 500 persons – all rooms have natural daylight. Two business centres with internet access and computers on the ground floor. W-LAN throughout the hotel. All-round service including courier, limousine chauffeur and secretarial service.

## **HEALTH & SPORT FACILITIES**

Wellness area (670m<sup>2</sup>) with heated indoor pool 18m long and 1.6m deep, sauna and steam room, with a cold-water-plunge pool, fitness studio, massage, solarium/tanning beds and pool bar.

## **MEMBERSHIPS & AWARDS**

2008 Gault Millau – bar manager of the year

2007 VDR-certified business travel hotel

2007 VDR-certified conference hotel

2004 Condé Nast Gold Traveller List - "One of the best hotels in the world"

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