

Was trinken die Deutschen? das BIER, die Biere

10 THINGS YOU DID'NT KNOW ABOUT BEER IN GERMANY

Not all beer is brown



While adding flavored syrup to beer is very common in neighboring Poland, it's practically unheard of in Germany - except in Berlin. The capital dwellers are known for being colorful. There, you can order a Berliner Weisse, a white beer, with either raspberry- or woodruff-flavored syrup. Your beverage, served in a stout, bowl-shaped glass, will be pink or green, respectively.

Paper bag not required



Unlike like in the United States, it's perfectly legal to drink alcohol in public. So you don't have to hide your beverage when the urge overcomes you to take a swig - anywhere. It's not uncommon to see people drinking beer on the train, particularly groups of young people heading out to a party - or groups of older Germans celebrating a holiday. Rowdiness, of course, is verboten.