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DEUTSCHE FEIERTAGE, FESTE, UND MESSEN

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6 Odd Things Germans do in the Summer

2. Singing 'Schlager' in Ballermann on Mallorca

The word Ballermann is German slang for a gun and is also connected to the word ballern - to 'get wasted' - so the name fits perfectly with the drunken excess that carries on inside this infamous bar on the coast of Mallorca.

Drinking, sex and drugs are all on the cards - but most crucial is singing along to *Schlager* - cheesy party hits about drinking, sex and lying on the beach. This music has come to be known as Ballermann Hits and even back in Germany, if you're missing the Spanish coast, you can find 'Ballermann Parties.'

3. Drinking on bridges



The Admiralsbrücke in Berlin is always full of people enjoying a casual summer evening.

In the summertime, the bridges over Berlin's Landwehr Canal become the centre of the city's social life as locals and tourists take over the Kreuzberg waterway to get an unbeatable view of the sunset - washed down with a cool beer.

Actually, due to the fact that it's totally acceptable to drink in public in Germany, you'll find people enjoying a cool one on benches, in the park, on their way back from work - pretty much anywhere they get a chance!