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## GERMANY'S 8 WURST SAUSAGE SAYINGS

Germany's love of sausages is well-known and this passion for wurst has also filtered into the German language. The Local takes a look at the finest meat-related idioms.



With the country claiming to have over 1,500 types of sausage from Bratwurst and Bockwurst, to Weißwurst and Grünwurst (green sausage), it is hardly surprising that the humble sausage plays a significant role in the rich tapestry of German idioms.

Discover why someone would behave like a liver sausage, or why something could be “all sausage” to you. [The Local List](#) dishes up eight sausage sayings revealing exactly how the sausage gets made.



3) ‘Es geht um die Wurst’: The importance of sausages to the Germans escapes no-one, which is probably where this little gem came from, meaning that something is very important. “Es geht um die Wurst” originates from a time when a sausage was the prize at folk festival games such as “catch the sausage” or “fish for the sausage”. For poor people, a sausage back then was no meagre snack but a lavish prize, hence the saying.