

# True or false? Some facts you might not know about Cologne:

1. Artist Thomas Baumgärtel started a project in Cologne to create awareness of interesting social events and great art - for which he spray-paints the symbol of a pineapple.

or

2. If you were to build the Cologne Cathedral again today, it would cost up to EUR 4 billion.

or

3. Kids in Cologne can hang their pacifiers in a “pacifier-tree” to put them to rest.

or

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## Did you guess the correct answer?

Artist Thomas Baumgärtel started a project in Cologne to create awareness of interesting social events and great art - for which he spray-paints the symbol of a pineapple.

### **FALSE!**

The metamorphic symbol for political and social events and for places that display great art is a project started in Cologne by artist Thomas Baumgärtel. However, it's not a pineapple he's spraying, but a banana.



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## Did you guess the correct answer?

If you were to build the Cologne Cathedral again today, it would cost up to EUR 4 billion.

### **FALSE!**

Cologne's cathedral is one of the city's main attractions and is certainly impressive (having taken over 600 years to build). It is also the second tallest church in Germany and the third highest in the world. If you were to build the cathedral again today, it would cost a hefty **EUR 10 billion** according to an estimate one expert gave in 2013.



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## Did you guess the correct answer?

Kids in Cologne can hang their pacifiers in a “pacifier-tree” in Cologne to put them to rest.

**TRUE!**

The tree is in the Rheinpark. Other cities in Cologne do have such trees, too.



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## How much did you know or guess right?



If you got more than one of these facts right, you must be a real Cologne expert! Even many locals don't know about the banana art project, the enormous cost of rebuilding the Cathedral and the "pacifier-tree."

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