Germany is well-known for highbrow cultural exports, but its popular culture also has traveled the world.

**Television**

*Dark* (2017-2020)
This mystery drama is German, but 90% of the audience are from outside of Germany. The mind-bending series was compared to "the Stranger Things for grown-ups," as it is a language other than English on Netflix. Often referred to as "the Stranger Things for grown-ups," this series has a sophisticated time-traveling plotline that is split between three time periods – modern day, 1986, and 1953.

*Babylon Berlin* (2017–present)
Set in Berlin during the later years of the Weimar Republic, *Babylon Berlin* is inspired by film noir. It’s a journey into the rise of German nationalism in a sleeping democracy and the police brutality and government control that aided it. The show is often praised for its universal and contemporary ability to capture police brutality protests and the governmental response to the protesters.

**Movies**

*Hans Zimmer*

*Franka Potente*
While she is best known for her title role in *Lola Rennt* (Run Lola Run) (1998), Potente has had quite the career in American film. From major films, *The Bourne Identity* (2002) alongside Matt Damon and *The Conjuring 2* (2016), to a minor role in the second season of *American Horror Story*, Potente has made her mark in Hollywood. She made her directorial debut in 2020 with the internationally co-produced film, *Home*.

**Sports**

Hockey
Many German, Austrian, and Swiss athletes have competed in the NHL. Two notables: Nico Sturm, Minnesota Wild forward Sturm was drafted in 2019 to play for the Minnesota Wild hockey team. Originally from Augsburg, Germany, Sturm is ranked first out of 711 players in the league as of April 2021.

Leon Draisaitl, Edmonton Oilers center Originally from Cologne, Germany, Draisaitl was drafted into the NHL in 2014. The center-forward is now a top goal scorer for the Edmonton Oilers.

Basketball
Victor Oladipo, Minnesota Timberwolves After being drafted in 2013 to the Los Angeles Lakers, Oladipo was a Berlin native, now plays for the Orlando Magic. The 2021-22 season saw Oladipo score 49 points in a 189-133 win. In April 2021, Oladipo signed a four-year deal on overall pick in the 2021 NBA draft, also joined the Orlando Magic. He is a 6'3" point guard and stands a couple inches shorter than his brother at 6'7".

Baseball
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**Americans in the Bundesliga 2021/22**

Gio Reyna | Club: Borussia Dortmund | Position: Midfielder
Tyler Adams | Club: RB Leipzig | Position: Midfielder
John Brooks | Club: Wolfsburg | Position: Center-back
Chris Richards | Club: Hoffenheim (on-loan from Bayern Munich) | Position: Center-back
Timothy Tillman | Club: Greuther Fürth | Position: Midfielder

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