



## The Money Museum

People used to joke about going to the bank in order to visit their money. Today we carry plastic in our wallets, write checks at home, and swipe cards in grocery stores, telephone booths, and even subway stations. Have we ever been farther from our money?

If you have been missing the idea and even the feel of traditional money, you might want to pay a virtual visit to the online Money Museum. It's a European website, so it isn't all about American cash, but there's a lot of information packed in its nine pavilions and countless rooms. The history of money, making money, playing with money, buying and selling money. There are fairy tales about money, quotations about money, superstitions and beliefs, and crimes against money. There's a Money Hall of Fame where you'll find out what the biggest paper bill was (about 9" x 13") and the smallest (about the size of a penny). There are serious essays ("Currency Trading Creates Democracy") as well as the "Museum Director's 14 Secrets to Wealth."

One note for visitors. The site is German/Swiss, so the home language is German. When you dial up the home page at [www.moneymuseum.com](http://www.moneymuseum.com), select English Version from the left menu before you click on the front door of the museum to get in. There's no entrance fee, so you won't need your American Express or debit card. ■

