

# Meißen

Group packages 2023







# We look forward to welcoming you!

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# City tours: classic & combined

#### 'Meissen - the cradle of Saxony' city tour

Take a city tour through Meissen's carefully restored historic Old Town. Head past magnificent Renaissance burgher houses and old 'capitular courts' (Domherrenhöfe) to Domplatz (Cathedral Square), home to the striking cathedral and Albrechtsburg castle complex that can be seen from afar.

We also offer a wheelchair-accessible city tour upon request.

Booking period: All year round
Duration: approx. 1.5 hours

Price per group: € 95.00 (up to 25 people)

€ 105.00 (up to 30 people)

€ 40.00 foreign-language surcharge

#### City tour for golden ager

Explore the historic Old Town with our city tour especially designed for elderly people. Over a 90 minutes period, our experienced guides will take you through the medieval city centre, constantly building in small breaks to catch some air. Upon request, we can arrange for the city tour to only run in the upper part of the Old Town Domplatz (Cathedral Square, Albrechtsburg Castle, Meißen Cathedral, the legendary so called 'Freiheit' (upper part of the town), capitular courts or the lower part (marketplace, 'Frauenkirche' (Church of Our Lady), town hall and Heinrichsplatz).

The glass lift, providing panoramic views, facilitates convenient access to Domplatz (Cathedral Square). The ride costs € 1.00 per person, max. € 30.00 per group.

Booking period: All year round approx. 90 minutes

Price per group: € 95.00 (up to 25 people)

€ 105.00 (up to 30 people)

€ 40.00 foreign-language surcharge

# City tour with tour of Meissen Cathedral

An exciting tour through romantic Meissen and Meissen Cathedral, a pure Gothic structure housing, among other things, sculptures crafted by the Naumburg Master.

Note: The Cathedral is closed to visits/tours during services, events

and weddings.

Booking period: All year round, except 24<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> of December 2023

Based on the public opening hours of the Cathedral:

April: daily 10am-6pm

May-October: daily 9am-6pm November-March: daily 10am-4pm

Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group incl. entry: € 205.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 265.00 (up to 15 people) € 320.00 (up to 20 people) € 380.00 (up to 25 people) € 445.00 (up to 30 people)

€ 40.00 foreign-language surcharge

#### City tour with tour of the Albrechtsburg Castle

An excellent guided tour through romantic Meissen and the Albrechtsburg Castle, the first castle to be built in the German-speaking world, and which boasts a unique architectural design.

Booking period: All year round, except 9<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> of January and 24<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> of December 2023

Based on the public opening hours of the Albrechtsburg Castle:

March-October: daily 10am-6pm November-February: daily 10am-5pm

#### Short tour (30 minutes) of the ballrooms on the first floor:

Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group incl. entryTo the 1st floor:

€ 170.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 210.00 (up to 15 people)

€ 250.00 (up to 20 people)

€ 290.00 (up to 25 people)

€ 335.00 (up to 30 people)

€ 40.00 foreign-language surcharge

#### Long tour (1 hour) of the Albrechtsburg Castle:

Duration: approx. 2.5 hours

Price per group incl. entry: € 270.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 335.00 (up to 15 people) € 400.00 (up to 20 people) € 465.00 (up to 25 people) € 540.00 (up to 30 people)

€ 50.00 foreign-language surcharge

## City tour with tour of the tower of the Frauenkirche (Church of Our Lady)

Enjoy Meissen from above on top of the historical tower of the Frauenkirche. On the way up, you will pass by the porcelain Glockenspiel (chime) and the heavy steel bells. And once you have climbed up the 193 steps up the old building, you will reach the tower gallery, which provides a stunning view of the Old Town and the Elbe Valley. The guide will then take you onwards through Meissen's carefully restored historic Old Town to Domplatz (Cathedral Square).

Booking period: April-November Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group incl. entry (max. 20): € 125.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 140.00 (up to 15 people) € 155.00 (up to 20 people)

€ 40.00 foreign-language surcharge

# Meissen & porcelain

#### 'Tracing the history of Meissen porcelain' city tour

Follow us along the Meissen Porcelain Path to the historical Old Town. See the world's largest statues crafted from Meissen porcelain® in the Nikolaikirche (St Nicholas' Church), and sculptures by the most famous modeller of porcelain, Johann Joachim Kaendler, in the Franziskaner-Klosterkirche (Franciscan monastery church).

Booking period: All year round Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group, incl. entry: € 160.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 190.00 (up to 15 people) € 215.00 (up to 20 people) € 245.00 (up to 25 people)

Good to know: If required, this tour can be combined with a visit to the 'ERLEBNISWELT MEISSEN' Porcelain Manufactory for a surcharge of:

€ 12.00 per person for entry to the 'ERLEBNISWELT MEISSEN'

Prices accurate as of September 2022, but are subject to change, e.g. in relation to entry prices.

#### City tour with a visit to the 'ERLEBNISWELT MEISSEN' (Porcelain Manufactory)

Enjoy an approx. 90-minute personal tour through Meissen's historic Old Town with one of our guides. Your visit to the Porcelain Manufactory will include an approx. 40-minute audio tour through the display workshop, during which you will learn how porcelain is made. You can then explore the Porcelain Museum and special exhibitions on your own.

Booking period: All year round except 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> of December, based on public opening hours,

Daily 9am-5pm

31<sup>st</sup> December to 1<sup>st</sup> of January

10am – 4pm

Duration: Approx. 3 hours (a break can be arranged between the city tour and visit to

the 'ERLEBNISWELT MEISSEN'.)

Price per group incl. entry: € 240.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 320.00 (up to 15 people) € 400.00 (up to 20 people) € 475.00 (up to 25 people) € 560.00 (up to 30 people)

€ 40.00 foreign-language surcharge

## City tour with tour of the Nikolaikirche (St Nicholas' Church)

During this city tour, you will visit the Romanesque Nikolaikirche, one of Meissen's early Christian churches. Today, it impresses visitors with its rich collection of crafted Meissen Porcelain. After World War I, Prof. Paul Emil Börner (1888-1970) redesigned the interior into the world's only memorial of its kind for the victims of that war. Today, the church houses the world's largest statues crafted from Meissen Porcelain, as well as porcelain wall panels bearing the name of the some 1800 fallen soldiers of the city.

Booking period: All year round Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group incl. entry: € 135.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 150.00 (up to 15 people) € 170.00 (up to 20 people) € 195.00 (up to 25 people)

€ 40.00 foreign-language surcharge

# History up close and city tour for kids

#### ArchitecTOUR – Insights into the rebuilding of Meissen

This tour's route provides fascinating insights into the rebuilding of Meissen as a cultural historic gem, and highlights the wealth of stunning examples of German architecture. Experience the history through a selection of Old Town buildings that have been granted new life in recent years, or are set to be granted new life, through federal & state involvement or private builders and associations.

Booking period: All year round

Duration: approx. 2 to 2.5 hours

Price per group: € 150.00 (up to 25 people)
 € 165.00 (up to 30 people)

#### Hidden heroine – Following in the footsteps of Louise Otto-Peters

Louise Otto-Peters was born into a wealthy middle-class family in Meissen in 1819. In her later published social critiques, she constantly questioned women's position in society, and she became the co-founder of the German middle-class women's movement. Her catch-cry of 'We would rather fly than crawl' remains relevant to this day. Our guide will take you through this turbulent time and the life of this women's rights activist in Meissen.

Booking period: All year round Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group: € 130.00 (up to 25 people) € 140.00 (up to 30 people)

# 'Kids discover the city' a special tour for kids

Kids can also enjoy a Meissen city tour! Of course it won't be a boring one with thousands of stats and figures, but rather one that gets them actively discovering, playing and trying things out for themselves. Their knowledge will be tested, and they get taught new and interesting facts.

Where did the city gates used to be? What used to happen at a medieval market? What were the old wells used for? What are fortified courts? Were children able to play in the city? We examine these and many other questions, and point out the most important buildings and their purposes.

Booking period: All year round

Duration: 1.5 – 2 hours, with break upon request

Price per child: € 4.00

Minimum price of € 75.00 per group; max. 25 persons per group

This tour is particularly suited to preschool and primary-school students.

#### **Romantic Old Town tours**

#### Romantic evening stroll (city stroll) with a traditional Meissen bourgeois lady

Dressed in historic bourgeois garb, the so called *Bürgerfrau* (bourgeois lady) takes you through the city centre's romantic laneways, recounting interesting facts and amusing anecdotes from Meissen's past. As such, you'll experience first-hand all the laneway gossip, history and, of course, stories. Get ready, because the *Bürgerfrau* will have a few surprises in store for you. This tour is particularly delightful when taken in the evening, though it can also run at any other time of the day.

Booking period: All year round Duration: approx. 1.5 hours

Price per group: € 140.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 155.00 (up to 15 people) € 175.00 (up to 20 people) € 215.00 (up to 25 people)

Good to know for the winter season:
Romantic city tour with mulled wine from our local vineyards

The Meissen Bürgerfrau takes you through the Old Town's romantic laneways even during the winter months, inviting you to enjoy a warming mulled wine as you go.

Extra € 3.50 per person for 1 glass of mulled wine from **our local vineyards**, also non-alcoholic version available.

## 'Clean facts in the Middle Ages – Out and about with a traditional bath maid'

In the Medieval Ages saw wellness experience its first boom with public bathhouses, where people would meet to wash, eat, chat and enjoy themselves.

Join a traditional Meissen bath maid on a journey through the Old Town to the sites of the medieval bathing and pleasure facilities, reviving the **slogan** of 'Desire, Joy and Sin'. (Incl.  $1 \times 0.1$  l of wine, wine-tasting glass and soap samples)

Booking period: April - October Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group: € 200.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 220.00 (up to 15 people) € 250.00 (up to 20 people) € 290.00 (up to 25 people)

# **Culinary city tours**

#### 'Meissen's beer tales' city tour

Saxony's favourite drink has been brewed in Meissen for more than 1,000 years. Trace back the history of the old breweries and bars across the Old Town, and learn interesting and curious facts about the art of brewing. To complete the tour, you get two tastings of Meissen beer, a snack at an Old-Town restaurant and some small souvenirs.

Booking period: All year round Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group: € 215.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 265.00 (up to 15 people) € 320.00 (up to 20 people) € 375.00 (up to 25 people)

#### 'Meissen's wine tales' city tour

Wine has been grown in the Elbe Valley around Meissen since the 12th century. This tour through the historic Old Town, including a one-off access to the terraced vineyard on the Burgberg (castle hill), which is run by the Saxon State Foundation for Nature and Environment, will teach you interesting and amusing facts about the city's history and wine. You'll also be able to taste our Meissen wine along the way. To finish, enjoy a little snack among the vines, and take in the unique view of the city.

Booking period: From April to October Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group (max. 20): € 295.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 350.00 (up to 15 people) € 445.00 (up to 20 people)

#### **Culinary city tour**

Fancy experiencing Meissen not just from a visual perspective but also through your taste buds? Then our culinary tour is just the thing for you. Two savoury and one sweet tasting, a little glass of Meissen wine, and two samples of local beer will give you a taste of the city literally.

Booking period: All year round
Duration: approx. 2.5 hours

Price per group: € 410.00 (up to 10 people)

€ 550.00 (up to 15 people) € 685.00 (up to 20 people) € 825.00 (up to 25 people)

Max. 25 persons per group

#### Wine walks

#### Wine walk around the Proschwitzer Katzensprung region

On this tour, you'll learn more about winegrowing in the Elbe Valley. It starts by climbing up the Katzenstufen ('cat steps') to Proschwitz. At the top is the vineyard, and a little further on, you find the 'Saxony's Best Vineyard View 2016' lookout. Enjoy the magical view of the Elbe and beyond to the Burgberg (castle hill) with the Meissen Cathedral and Albrechtsburg Castle. (Includes  $3 \times 0.1 \text{ l}$ wine)

We recommend wearing sturdy shoes and weatherproof clothing. Also be Note:

sure to bring a bottle of water and a small snack with you, as you would on

any walk or hike.

Booking period: April-October Duration: approx. 2 hours

Price per group: € 200.00 (up to 10 people) € 330.00 (up to 25 people)

€ 240.00 (up to 15 people) € 375.00 (up to 30 people)

€ 285.00 (up to 20 people)

#### Wine walk in Meissen's Spaargebirge Mountains (round trip)

This walk takes you through Meissen's Spaargebirge Mountains along the right bank of the river Elbe. On the way, you'll learn more about winegrowing in Saxony and about the individual types of wine. The Boselspitze provides a gorgeous view of the Elbe Valley looking out towards Dresden and, on a clear day, even as far as Saxon Switzerland. (Includes 3 x 0.1 l wine)

We recommend wearing sturdy shoes and weatherproof clothing. Also be Note:

sure to bring a bottle of water and a small snack with you, as you would on

any walk or hike.

Booking period: April-October Duration: approx. 3 hours

Price per group: € 280.00 (up to 10 people) € 465.00 (up to 25 people)

€ 345.00 (up to 15 people) € 530.00 (up to 30 people)

€ 405.00 (up to 20 people)

## Wine walk through the vineyards along the left bank of the Elbe (round trip)

This walk takes you through the vineyards along the left bank of the Elbe. You'll start in the historic Old Town of Meissen, before heading along a romantic trail straight to the 'Rothes Gut' winery. Up here, you'll be able to enjoy panoramic views of Meissen Cathedral and the vineyards in the surrounding area. The impressively tall rubble stone walls, adorned with time-honoured sandstone rosettes, are the iconic symbols of the Rothes Gut winery. (Incl. 3 x 0.1 l wine)

Note: We recommend wearing sturdy shoes and weatherproof clothing. Also be

sure to bring a bottle of water and a small snack with you, as you would on

any walk or hike.

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#### General information

All tours are undertaken by foot. Based on our experience and to ensure guest satisfaction, group sizes should not exceed 30 persons, which is why we recommend booking an additional guide for groups of 31 and more.

The fee for the tours must be paid in cash to the guide or at our office point. Invoicing can be arranged upon request.

Tours can be conducted in English, French, Russian, Italian and Spanish. The foreign-language surcharge is € 15.00 per hour.

For tours commencing 8pm and later, we charge an evening surcharge of € 15.00 per group.

The stated price is inclusive of the applicable VAT. We grant resellers a discount of 10% on the end price.

#### Cancellation periods and fees:

If cancelled at least 5 business days prior to the scheduled tour, no cancellation fee will be charged.

If cancelled between 4th to 1st business day before scheduled tour, a 60% cancellation fee of the agreed total price applies. Cancellations received with less than 1 business day before scheduled tour, the fully agreed price will be charged. Business days do not include German holidays and weekends.

#### Please note:

Meissen's city centre and the Burgberg (castle hill) only allow limited vehicle access. Car and bus parking slots are available along the Elbe, right on highway B 6, or at the Meissen Porcelain Manufactory. The city centre/our office is approx. a 10-minute walk from there.

Two stopping areas are available for tour-bus drop-off and pick-up (no parking) on the corner of Gerbergasse and Rossmarkt. There are also two stopping s lots for tour buses at the glass lift up to 'Domplatz' (Cathedral Square) on Meisastrasse.

The distances between the Old Town and Cathedral Square and between the Old Town and the Meissen Porcelain Manufactory are each approx. a 10-15-minute walk.

Cathedral Square and the Meissen Porcelain Manufactory are approx. 20-25-minute walk apart.

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