

Bleckede, Lower Saxony, Germany

A quiet Elbe riverside town where a baroque castle hides live beavers, and meadow cycling paths stretch endlessly through a UNESCO biosphere. Blink and you might miss it — that's the point.

Docked (river pier)

Typical call: 4–6 hrs

Euro (€)

German

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: River pier at Bleckeder Hafen; ships moor directly, 5-min walk to town

Walk to center: ~5 min from harbor to Schlossstraße and the castle

Best For: Nature lovers, cyclists, biosphere wildlife, and castle history

Don't Miss: Biosphaerium Elbtalaue — live beavers and a tower with Elbe valley panorama

Getting around: Taxi €8–€15 · Rideshare not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Biosphaerium Elbtalaue & Castle Tower** — The star attraction: a baroque half-timbered building at Schloss Bleckede housing live beavers, native Elbe fish, and an exhibition on the UNESCO...
- Bleckede Old Town Walk** — Stroll the compact old town to see the St.
- Elbe Cycle Path Ride** — Rent a bike and join the famous Elbe Cycle Route as it passes through Bleckede.
- Old Elbe Backwater & Bird Watching** — A short ride or walk from town leads to the Alte Elbe (Old Elbe) near Vitico and Achterholz — a silted-up river arm with brackish meadows and...

BEST WALKS

- Harbour to Castle Walk** ~1 km • 15 min one-way • flat — From the Bleckeder Hafen, walk north along Hafenstraße into town.
- Elbe Dyke Stroll to Mahnkenwerder Tower** ~3 km • 45 min one-way • flat dyke path — Head to the Elbe dyke south of town for open meadow views.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	56°	40°	11d
Jun	73°	56°	9d
Aug	74°	59°	12d
Sep	67°	53°	10d
Oct	58°	48°	13d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:17AM–8:17PM · Jun 4:49AM–9:46PM · Aug 5:57AM–8:44PM · Sep 6:51AM–7:32PM · Oct 7:44AM–6:20PM

Euro (€)

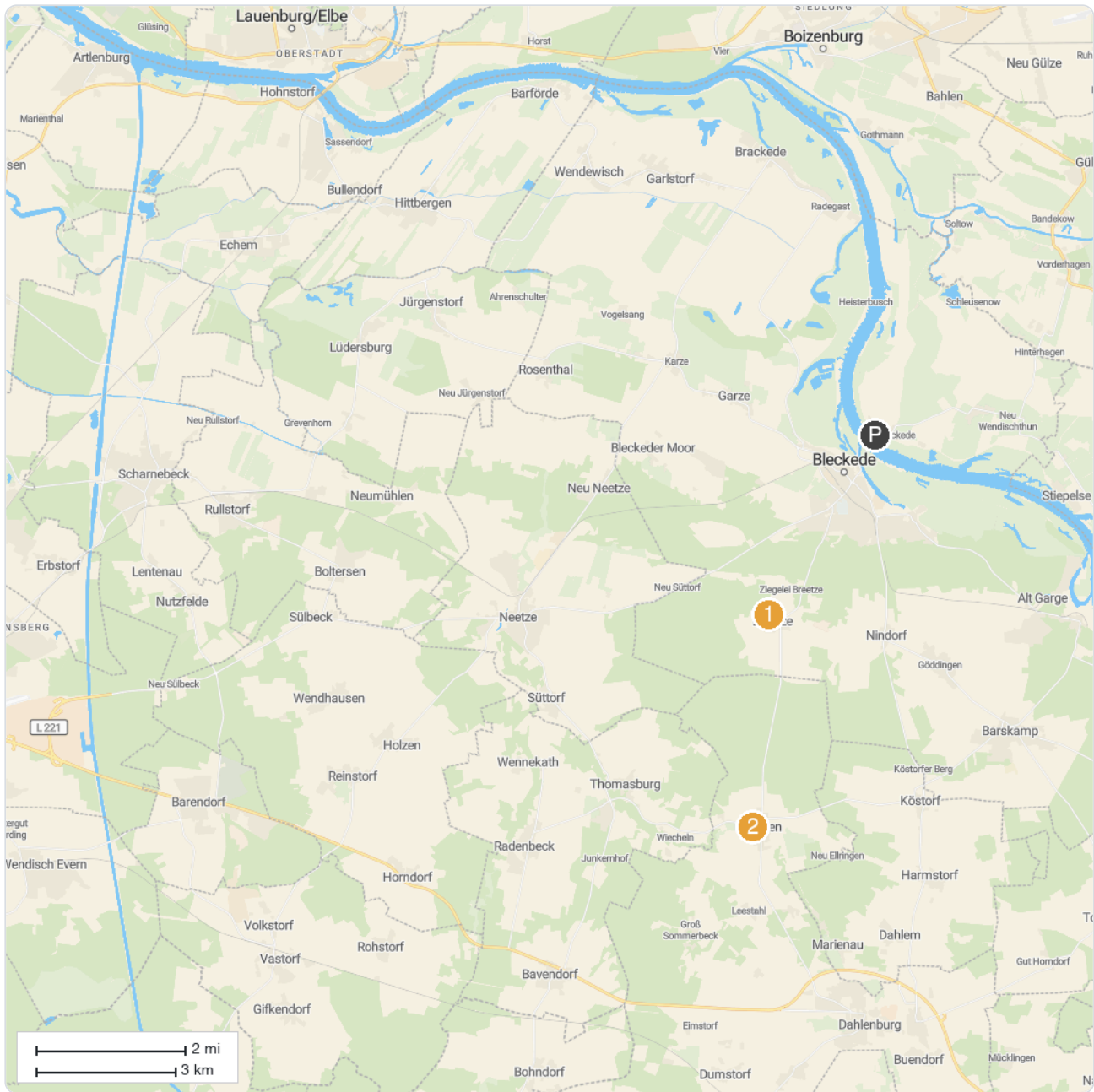
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Book the Biosphaerium: Live beavers and an Elbe fish tank are the highlight — arrive early as groups can fill the timed viewing slots.
- Bring or rent a bike: The Elbe Cycle Path is flat and gorgeous; a bike makes the biosphere wetlands easily accessible in a short call.
- Cash and cards both work in Bleckede, but carry some euros — small cafés and the castle café may prefer cash.
- River call, not a beach day: Bleckede is a nature and history stop. Wear comfortable walking shoes and pack a light layer — Elbe valley weather can be breezy.
- Stop at SchlossCafé Herr Biber: The café inside the castle grounds serves home-baked cake and is a local favourite — well worth a 30-minute break.

Bleckede, Lower Saxony, Germany — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1** Findlingsgarten Breetze
A unique garden showcasing large glacial boulders.
- 2** Oldtimertreffen Ellringen
An annual gathering of classic and vintage cars.
- P** Cruise port / terminal