

Burg bei Magdeburg, Saxony-Anhalt, Germany

A medieval market town on the Elbe-Havel Canal, Burg bei Magdeburg earns its nickname 'City of Towers' with a skyline of centuries-old churches and fortifications — and easy rail access to the Gothic grandeur of Magdeburg.

 Docked (riverside pier) ·  Typical call: 6–8 hrs ·  Euro (EUR) ·  German

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Riverside pier on the Elbe-Havel Canal; ships dock directly — no tender

Walk to center: ~5–10 min walk from the pier to the historic Marktplatz

Best For: Medieval history, quiet river-town atmosphere, day trip to Magdeburg

Don't Miss: Hexenturm (Witch's Tower), the Carl von Clausewitz birthplace museum, and Germany's oldest cinema

 Getting around:  Taxi  Varies (meter) ·  Rideshare  Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Magdeburg Cathedral & Old Town** — Take the short train ride to Magdeburg and explore one of Germany's largest Gothic cathedrals, then stroll through the historic Alter Markt and the...
- **Burg Town Walk — City of Towers** — Join the daily guided town tour to visit the 11th-century Hexenturm (Witch's Tower), the 16th-century Freiheitsturm, the 14th-century Berlinerturm...
- **Clausewitz Birthplace Museum** — Carl von Clausewitz, author of the military classic 'On War', was born in Burg.
- **Magdeburg Water Bridge** — See the remarkable navigable aqueduct that carries the Elbe-Havel Canal over the Elbe River — an engineering marvel and one of Germany's most unusual...
- **Burg Theater — Germany's Oldest Cinema** — Dating to 1911, the Burg Theater is Germany's oldest continuously operating cinema — a charming slice of early film history right in the town center.

BEST WALKS

- **Towers & Marktplatz Loop** ~2 km · 45 min · Easy — From the riverside pier, walk into town past the Roland Statue on Marktplatz, then loop through the old lanes to see the Hexenturm, Freiheitsturm, and Berlinerturm...
- **Canal Embankment Stroll** ~1.5 km · 30 min · Easy — A relaxed out-and-back walk along the Elbe-Havel Canal embankment, watching river traffic and enjoying views of the church towers above the rooftops.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)			
	Mon	High	Low
Apr		58°	41°
Jun		75°	58°
Aug		76°	60°
Sep		69°	54°
Oct		59°	48°
			Rain
			9d
			8d
			11d
			8d
			12d

 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY
Apr 6:15AM–8:10PM · Jun 4:50AM–9:35PM · Aug 5:56AM–8:36PM · Sep 6:47AM–7:26PM · Oct 7:38AM–6:17PM
Euro (EUR)

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Train to Magdeburg is the top excursion. Burg Bahnhof is ~15 min walk from the pier; trains (RE/RB on the ODEG and DB lines) run roughly hourly. Buy tickets at the station machine — no booking needed.
- Bring euros in cash. Small town shops and museum entries often don't accept cards. ATMs are available near the Marktplatz.
- Guided town tours run daily in summer. Check with the ship's excursions desk or ask at the pier — local guides cover all major towers in about 90 minutes.
- Saxony-Anhalt weather is unpredictable. Pack a light rain layer; the town has little covered shelter between landmarks.
- The town is quiet. Burg is a genuinely small river town — don't expect a buzzing restaurant scene. Most passengers combine it with a Magdeburg excursion.
- Return time matters. If you're doing Magdeburg by train, give yourself a 30-min buffer before all-aboard — trains can be delayed and the walk back to the pier takes 15 min.

Burg bei Magdeburg, Saxony-Anhalt, 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 Flickschupark - Tor zur Landschaft

Flickschupark: a beautiful park, gateway to the landscape.

3 Am Weinberg - Grüner Stadtbalkon

Am Weinberg: a green viewpoint with panoramic city views.

5 Goethe Park a peaceful green space for strolling and relaxing.

2 Historische Gerberei

The Historic Tannery is a museum of leather production.

4 Hexenturm Hexenturm is a historic tower with a dark past.

P Cruise port / terminal