

Dessau-Rosslau, Saxony-Anhalt, Germany

Where the modernist genius of Bauhaus meets the sweeping English-style parklands of the Garden Kingdom — all framed by the wild Elbe floodplain. A short Elbe river stop that punches well above its weight.

 Docked (river pontoon pier)  Typical call: 6–8 hrs  Euro (€)  German (English at UNESCO sites)  Very bike-friendly

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tied alongside river pontoon at Leopoldshafen (Dessau side) or Roßlau pier

Best For: Architecture fans, history buffs, cyclists, UNESCO lovers

Walk to center: ~2.5 km / 30 min from Leopoldshafen pier through Georgium Park

Don't Miss: Kornhaus Bauhaus restaurant right at the pier; Bauhaus Building; Georgium Park

 Getting around:  Taxi  €19–29

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Bauhaus Building & Masters' Houses** — The 1925 Bauhaus Building designed by Walter Gropius is the icon of modern architecture — a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- **Bauhaus Museum Dessau** — Opened in 2019, this striking 'black box' museum in the city center holds the world's second-largest Bauhaus collection — over 49,000 objects.
- **Georgium Palace & Park** — An English-style landscape park closest to the Leopoldshafen pier, featuring mock-Roman ruins, ponds, and the Anhalt Art Gallery inside Georgium...
- **Wörlitz Park & Palace** — The crown jewel of the UNESCO Garden Kingdom, 15 km east of the pier.
- **Hugo Junkers Technical Museum** — Dedicated to Dessau's aviation pioneer Hugo Junkers, creator of the famous Ju 52 aircraft.

BEST WALKS

- **Pier to Bauhaus: Georgium Park Stroll** 2.5 km · 30 min · Easy · Flat — From the Leopoldshafen pier, walk through the leafy Georgium Park, passing mock-Roman ruins and the Georgium Palace, then continue into central Dessau to the Bauhaus...
- **Elbe Riverbank to Kornhaus** Under 1 km · 10 min · Easy — From the ship gangway, walk along the Elbe embankment to the iconic Kornhaus — the Bauhaus-designed circular restaurant perched over the river.

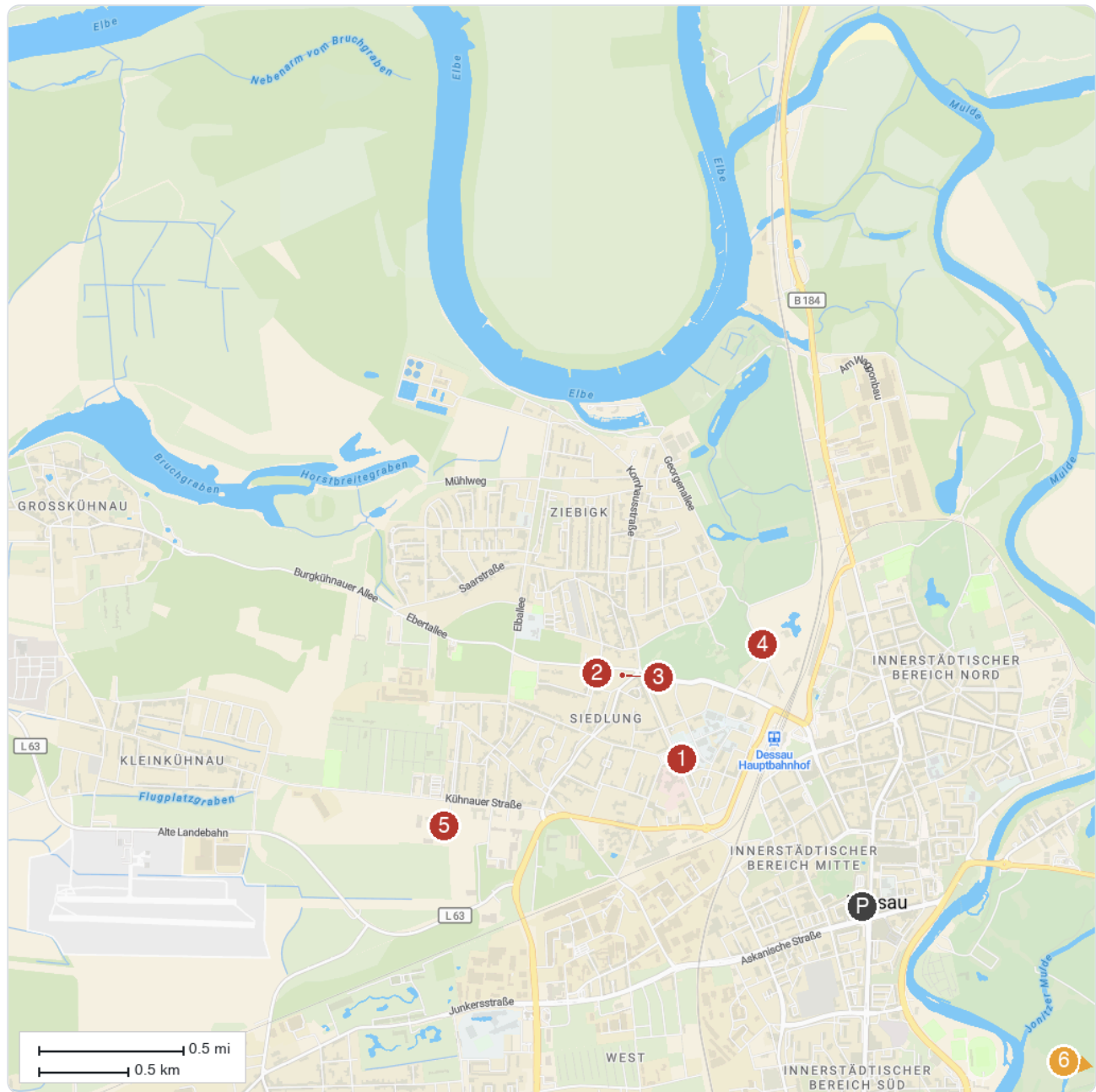
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Rent or borrow a bike. Dessau is one of the flattest cities in Germany — a bicycle turns a 30-min walk into a 10-min ride and opens up the Wörlitz Park road (15 km each way) as a real option.
- The Kornhaus is right at the pier. This 1930 Bauhaus-designed riverside restaurant (architect Carl Fieger) on the Elbe is both architecturally significant and serves good German food — ideal for lunch or coffee before re-boarding.
- Combo tickets save money. The Bauhaus Foundation Dessau offers a joint ticket covering the Bauhaus Building and Masters' Houses (around €14). Check at the first site you visit.
- River level matters. The Elbe can run very low in summer. If your ship can't berth, expect buses to the city center — not a dealbreaker, just be prepared.
- Shops close on Sundays. If your call day is Sunday, supermarkets and most shops will be shut. Museums and restaurants remain open — plan accordingly.
- Carry some cash. Major museums and the Kornhaus accept cards, but smaller bakeries, market stalls, and vintage train tickets may be cash-only.

Dessau-Rosslau, 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.



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| 1 Bauhaus Dessau | Iconic Bauhaus school building, a UNESCO World Heritage site. | 2 Meisterhaus Kandinsky Klee | Original homes of Bauhaus masters Kandinsky and Klee. |
| 3 Masters' Houses | Original homes of Bauhaus masters, UNESCO World Heritage site. | 4 Dessau, Lehrpark für Tier und Pflanzenkunde Zoo | Dessau's zoo, home to diverse animals and plants. |
| 5 Technikmuseum Hugo Junkers | Museum showcasing Hugo Junkers' pioneering aircraft and technology. | 6 Middle Elbe Biosphere Reserve | UNESCO biosphere reserve protecting Elbe river landscapes and wildlife. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |