

Meissen, Saxony, Germany

Where European porcelain was born and a Gothic castle still lords over the Elbe. Meissen rewards even a half-day stop with history, cobblestones, and Saxony's finest wine.

 Pier (docked)  Typical call: 6-8 hrs  Currency: Euro (€)  Language: German

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier on Elbe left bank (Uferstraße); no tender required

Walk to centre: ~500 m (5–7 min) to Marktplatz; 15–20 min uphill to castle

Best For: History, porcelain, Saxon wine, scenic river views

Don't Miss: Albrechtsburg Castle + Dom, and the Porcelain Manufactory workshop tour

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  ~€4.50–€7 (base + short distance) ·  **Rideshare**  not available ·  **Hop-on hop-off** 
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TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Albrechtsburg Castle & Cathedral** — Germany's first residential palace (late 15th century) stands shoulder-to-shoulder with the Gothic Meissen Cathedral on...
- **Meissen Porcelain Manufactory Tour** — The birthplace of European porcelain (founded 1710).
- **Marktplatz & Frauenkirche Porcelain Carillon** — The medieval market square is ringed by colourful Renaissance townhouses and the late-Gothic Town Hall.
- **Saxon Wine & Meissner Fummel** — Meissen sits at the heart of Saxony's wine route.

BEST WALKS

- **Riverside to Castle Hill Loop** 3–4 km · 1.5–2 hrs · Moderate (steep uphill) — From the pier, walk the Elbe promenade north to the Marktplatz.
- **Manufactory Walk** ~2 km one-way · 20 min flat — Follow Uferstraße south from the pier along the Elbe to the Staatliche Porzellan-Manufaktur Meissen.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:11AM–8:02PM · Jun 4:50AM–9:22PM · Aug 5:53AM–8:26PM · Sep 6:41AM–7:19PM · Oct 7:30AM–6:12PM	
Apr	57°	40°	10d	Currency: Euro (€)	
Jun	74°	57°	10d		
Aug	77°	60°	11d		
Sep	69°	53°	9d		
Oct	60°	47°	11d		

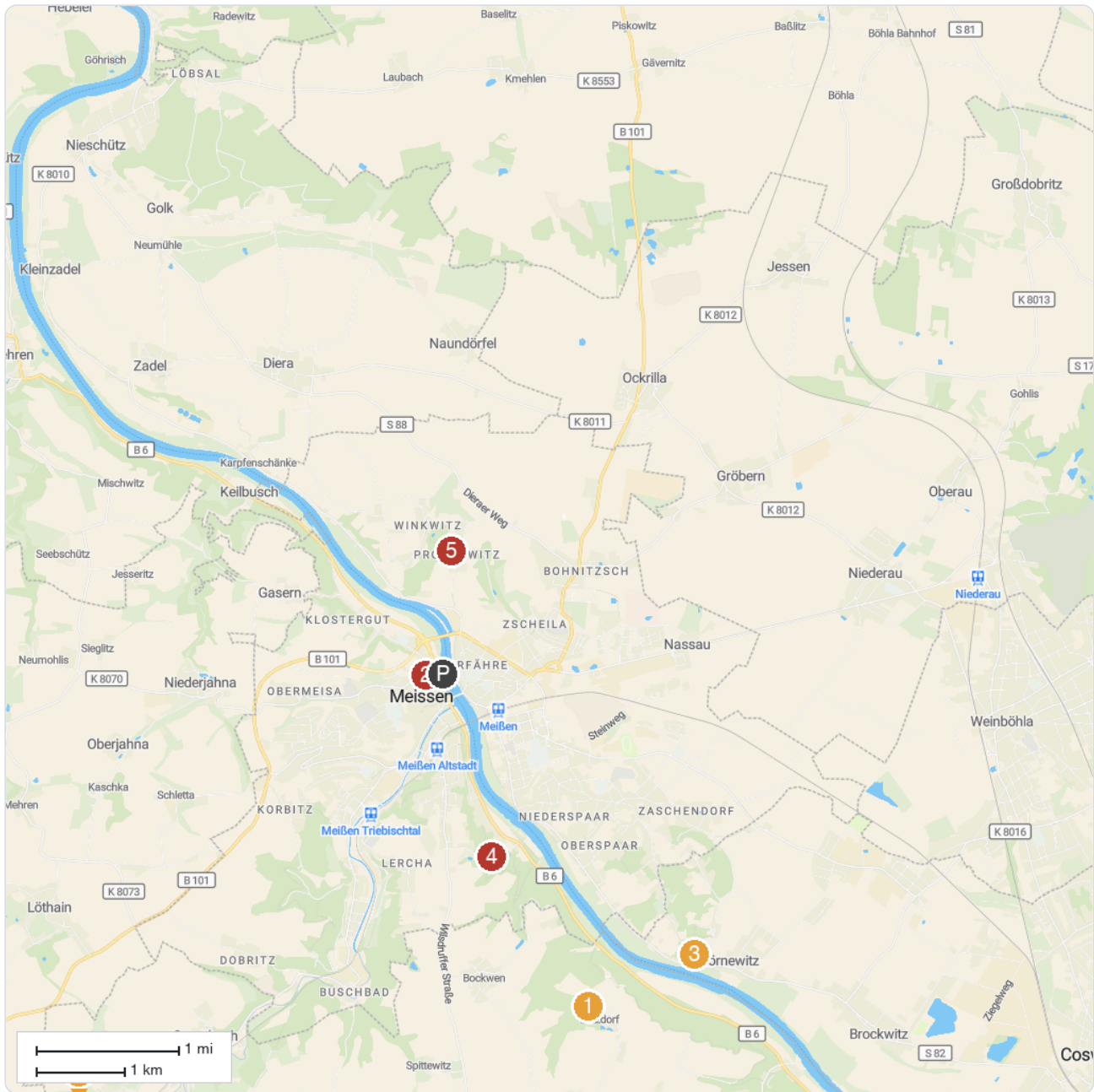
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Wear sturdy shoes. Castle Hill is steep with centuries-old cobblestones and uneven steps. Leave the sandals on the ship.
- Carry some cash. The castle elevator, small bakeries, and local wine bars often prefer coin. Cards work fine at the Manufactory and larger restaurants.
- Time the carillon. The Frauenkirche's porcelain bells chime chorales at 06:30, 08:30, 11:30, 14:30, 17:30, and 20:30. It's a short

Meissen, 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.



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| <p>1 Batzdorf Castle Historic Renaissance castle, privately owned, hosting cultural events.</p> <p>3 Boselgarten Beautiful alpine botanical garden with panoramic Elbe valley views.</p> <p>5 Schloss Proschwitz Saxony's oldest private winery, set within a beautiful castle.</p> <p>P Cruise port / terminal</p> | <p>2 Albrechtsburg Castle Germany's first residential castle, home of Meissen porcelain.</p> <p>4 Schloss Siebeneichen Renaissance castle now a vocational school and event venue.</p> <p>6 Altes Kalkbergwerk Miltitz Historic lime mine offering underground tours and insights.</p> |
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