

Minden, North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany

Minden is the only place in Europe where you can watch a canal float above a river — and that engineering marvel is just the opening act. Add a soaring Prussian monument, a Romanesque cathedral, and a town that still smells like smoked ham.

 Docked (riverside pier)  Typical call: 6–8 hrs  Euro (€) — carry cash  German

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Docked at Schlagde riverside quay; no tender

Best For: Engineering wonders, history, Westphalian food

Walk to centre: 5–10 min from dock to Marktplatz

Don't Miss: Wasserstraßenkreuz aqueduct — canal crossing the Weser

 Getting around:  Taxi  €8–€12 ·  Rideshare  Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Wasserstraßenkreuz — Canal Over the River** — Europe's most striking waterway junction: the Mittelland Canal crosses high above the Weser River on twin aqueducts...
- **Kaiser Wilhelm Monument & Porta Westfalica** — The 88-metre monument atop Wittekindsberg hill honours Germany's first emperor and commands sweeping views over the...
- **Minden Cathedral & Old Town Walk** — The Dom St.
- **Mindener Museum** — Housed in a row of 16th-century Weser Renaissance buildings, this local museum covers the region's military, trade, and...
- **Weserpromenade & Kanzlers Weide Walk** — Stroll the landscaped riverside promenade, cross the Glacisbrücke pedestrian suspension bridge to Kanzlers Weide — a...

BEST WALKS

- **Dock to Altstadt & Cathedral** 0.5 km · 10 min · Easy — From the Schlagde quay, walk uphill along Weserstraße to the Dom, then loop through the Marktplatz and back.
- **Riverside Path to the Aqueduct** 3 km one-way · 35 min · Flat — Follow the Weser riverside path north from the dock to the Wasserstraßenkreuz.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

🌦️ CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				🇩🇪 DAYLIGHT & 💰 MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:28AM–8:22PM · Jun 5:02AM–9:48PM · Aug 6:07AM–8:50PM · Sep 6:58AM–7:40PM · Oct 7:49AM–6:31PM	
Apr	57°	40°	11d	Euro (€) — carry cash	
Jun	72°	56°	11d		
Aug	74°	59°	13d		
Sep	68°	53°	10d		
Oct	59°	48°	14d		

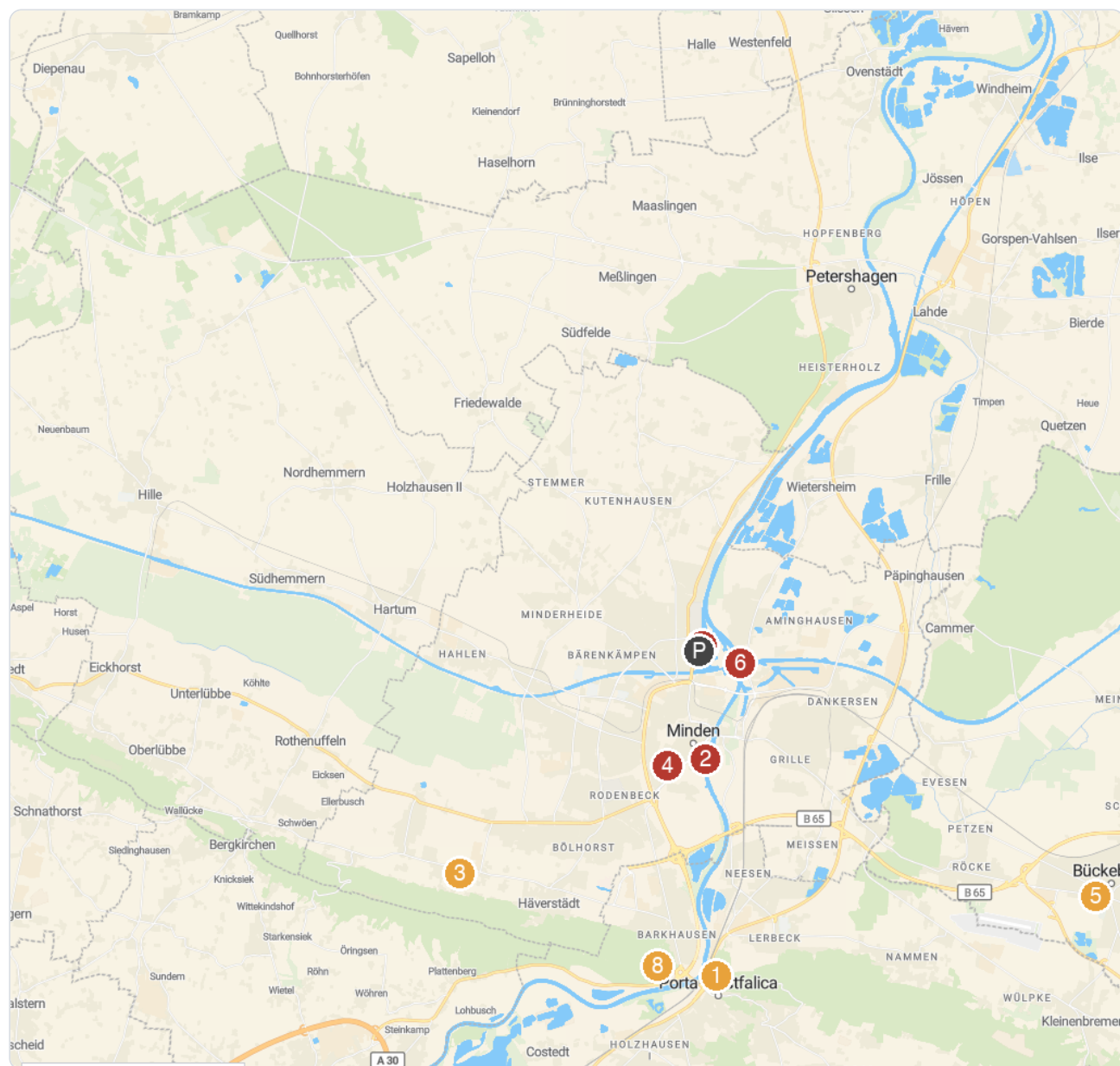
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Carry euro cash. Smaller cafés, bakeries, and market stalls often don't accept cards — and you'll want coins for public restrooms.
- Aqueduct access may be affected by construction through 2026 — check with your ship's excursion desk for current pier/path closures near the Anleger Schachtschleuse.
- Porta Westfalica is easy by train — 4 minutes from Minden Hbf. The station is a 15-minute walk from the dock. Seasonal bus (line 100) runs from the station to the dock.

Minden, North Rhine-Westphalia, 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 Porta-Kanzel | Natural rock formation offering panoramic views of the Porta Westfalica. | 2 Schiffmühle | Historic floating mill on the River Weser. |
| 3 Potts Park - Heinrich Pott GmbH & Co. KG | Family amusement park with rides and attractions. | 4 LWL-Preußenmuseum | Museum detailing Prussian history in Minden. |
| 5 Schloss Park | Beautiful historic castle park for strolling and relaxation. | 6 Minden Aqueduct | Impressive water bridge carrying a canal over the Weser. |
| 7 Schachtschleuse | Unique shaft lock connecting different water levels. | 8 Emperor William Monument | Grand monument honoring Emperor William I. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |