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THINGS TO SEE AND PLACES TO VISIT



01 MAGDEBURG CATHEDRAL OF ST. MAURICE AND ST. CATHERINE

The towers of Magdeburg Cathedral stretch 104 metres above the city. In 955, Emperor Otto the Great commissioned the construction of a monumental cathedral in Magdeburg, his favourite palatine and residence. Otto had many precious pieces of antique art shipped to Magdeburg from Northern Italy to grace his cathedral, for example columns made of marble and granite in the imperial colours, which can still be admired in the building today. The Ottonian cathedral was destroyed in a city fire in 1207. It was later re-erected as the first cathedral in Gothic style on German soil.

Visitors to the cathedral can now view the graves of the first German Emperor and his wife Edith and admire world-famous works of art, including the early Gothic sculptures of "The Wise and the Foolish Virgins" and Saint Maurice. The cathedral has been Protestant since 1567. In the summer months, the Cathedral Square covering 20,000m² is used as a venue for theatre, music and other events. The structures on the eastern side of the square mirror the foundations of historic Ottonian walls and the fountains opposite are ideal for a refreshing splash!

OPENING HOURS:
Nov – March 10am – 4pm | Apr & Oct 10am – 5pm
May – Sept 10am – 6pm
From 11:30am on Sundays and church holidays



02 THE GREEN CITADEL OF MAGDEBURG

Magdeburg is home to the last architectural project by the famous artist Friedensreich Hundertwasser. With its colourful facade, grass-covered roofs and large golden spheres, the Green Citadel is certainly an eye-catching attraction. For the residents of Magdeburg, the construction of this unique building was a controversial issue for a long time. Nowadays the imaginative creation forms an essential part of the cityscape and is perfectly integrated into the mix of Baroque facades and modern design along the Breiter Weg. The artist himself unfortunately did not live to see the completion of the project in 2005.

Hundertwasser designed a total of 900 different windows for the building. Visitors can enjoy the open courtyards and many shops and also spend some time in the cafés, restaurants and hotel located within the building's colourful sloping walls. The upper floors of the Green Citadel contain flats and offices, the tenants of which have "window rights" and can decorate their windows as they wish. Tenants are also responsible for the trees in and in front of their premises. A show apartment and guided tours of the terraces offering an excellent view enable visitors to actively experience the Austrian artist's creative idea.

OPENING HOURS:
COURTYARD: all year round, free admission
INFORMATION CENTRE: Mon – Sun 10am – 6pm



03 THE CATHEDRAL MUSEUM OTTONIANUM MAGDEBURG

In 968, Emperor Otto the Great established a new archbishopric in Magdeburg, and archaeologists have since discovered spectacular artefacts. The newly opened Ottonianum Cathedral Museum presents three major topics connected to the Middle Ages in Europe: Emperor Otto the Great with his Queen Edith, the Archbishopric of Magdeburg and unique archaeological finds, including an original lead sarcophagus and intricately embroidered archbishop's shoes.

OPENING HOURS:
Tue – Sun 10am – 5pm, closed on 24th and 31st Dec

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The **Lift Bridge** was constructed in 1846 for the first railway line leading to Berlin. It now provides pedestrians and cyclists with an important connection between the Rotenpark and the city centre. A fundraising campaign allowed the bridge to be restored in 2013. Local residents were able to purchase its wooden slats and have them engraved. At one end of the bridge, the former **Elbe Train Station** has been transformed into a modern residential district. Restaurants on the banks of the Elbe provide a view of the cityscape and in the summer, the white sand of the **Beach Bar** makes it the perfect place to chill out.

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04 ART MUSEUM IN THE MONASTERY OF OUR LADY

This Romanesque monastery complex brings together modern art and historical architecture. The Art Museum is the most important location for contemporary art and sculpture in Saxony-Anhalt. The building, which dates back to the 11th and 12th centuries, is home to international works of contemporary art and also forms an important part of the "Romanesque Road". An information centre located at Domplatz 1b provides an insight into the Romanesque architecture and course of this tourist route.

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OPENING HOURS:
Apr, Sept & Oct Mon – Sun 9am – 6pm
May – Aug Mon – Sun 9am – 7pm
All attractions closed on Mondays, other than during school and public holidays in Saxony-Anhalt



05 ELBAUENPARK AND MILLENNIUM TOWER

The Elbauenpark offers leisure fun for everyone in a green space covering around 100 hectares. Particularly brave visitors will love the ElbauenZip, a huge zip line starting from the Millennium Tower and reaching speeds of up to 60 km/h (37 mph). Other exciting attractions include the adventure playgrounds between the ramparts, the high ropes course, the summer toboggan run and the labyrinth. Animal fans are sure to enjoy the exotic butterflies and plants in the tropical Butterfly House, the fallow deer reserve and the petting area. The Elbauenpark is a top location for flower lovers. Hundreds of daffodils, roses and dahlias bloom in the former grounds of the German Federal Garden Show (BUGA) venue every year. From April to October, the Elbauen-Express electric park bus transports visitors through the large park. Both the Lake Stage and the extensive green meadows have been popular event venues since the BUGA in 1999. The park was once home to barracks and shooting grounds after becoming a military site in Prussian times. After the bombing raids in the Second World War, the debris was brought here. In memory of the devastating destruction of the city, old bricks were incorporated into the design of the park.

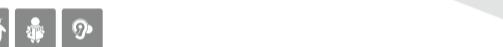
OPENING HOURS:
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All year round, free admission

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www.weisseflotte-magdeburg.de

GUIDED TOURS OF THE WATERWAY JUNCTION

Available via the Tourist Information Tel. +49 391 63601402



07 ALTER MARKT WITH THE TOWN HALL AND MAGDEBURG HORSEMAN

The Old Town Hall, which houses the Mayor's office, is one of Magdeburg's most important buildings and dates back as far as the 12th century. The Alter Markt (Old Market Square) is a central location for many events and the city's daily market. At the heart of the square stands the Magdeburg Horseman, a gold-plated bronze replica of the first free-standing equestrian statue located north of the Alps.

OPENING HOURS:
Market days: Tue – Fri 9am – 5pm | Sat 9am – 1pm | Town Hall: Mon – Fri 9am – 6pm



10 CULTURAL HISTORY MUSEUM & MUSEUM OF NATURE

Two in one: the Magdeburg Cultural History Museum is full of historic artwork and artefacts revealing the full history of the city and the Museum of Nature provides an insight into the diversity of life in and around Magdeburg. A multitude of special exhibitions focus on topical issues and in the Kaiser-Otto-Saal hall, visitors can admire the original Magdeburg Horseman, a statue believed to depict Emperor Otto the Great.

OPENING HOURS:
Tue – Fri 10am – 5pm | Sat/Sun 10am – 6pm



33 MAGDEBURG ZOO

Nearly 1400 animals representing 243 species are waiting to be discovered at Magdeburg Zoo. The park landscape covering 20 hectares is home to many rare and threatened species such as black rhinoceros, Siberian tigers and white lions. Its new savannah area houses elephants and dwarf mongoose.

OPENING HOURS:
Mar – Oct 9am – 6pm | Feb & Nov 9am – 5pm
Dec & Jan 9am – 4pm



13 28 FÜRSTENWALL AREA

Magdeburg was once the strongest Prussian fortress and gardens, Peter Joseph Lenné, certainly made a mark on Magdeburg with its stunning green spaces. By designing the Klosterbergegarten, he created the first public garden in a German-speaking country, which contains the impressive Society House designed by Karl Friedrich Schinkel. Lenné was also the man behind the historic Herrenkrugpark, a green landscaped sports and leisure area containing a hotel, racecourse and golf course.



34 GRUSON GREENHOUSES

The Magdeburg-based industrial entrepreneur Hermann Gruson began to collect exotic plants back in as early as 1896. Nowadays, visitors to the ten greenhouses of the Gruson complex can admire more than 4000 tropical and subtropical plants from six different continents, as well as caimans,



WELCOME TO MAGDEBURG

the City of Otto!

1200 years of history side by side with extremely modern architecture is what Magdeburg's all about. Nowhere else will you find brightly coloured Hundertwasser walls directly next to the monumental structure of Germany's first Gothic cathedral. With its green oases, creative eateries and impressive exhibitions in historic buildings, Magdeburg is a truly vibrant cultural metropolis. As one of the oldest German cities, Magdeburg allows you to experience history up close and in person and breathes new life into the milestones achieved by its two famous Ottos.

The first Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire of the German Nation, **Otto the Great**, declared the city to be his favourite palatine. He made Magdeburg an Archbishopric in 968 and commissioned the construction of its monumental cathedral. Magdeburg was the centre of his political power and was often cited alongside Rome and Byzantium. It witnessed several major accomplishments that went on to achieve global success, for example the air pump. The inventor of what is now an indispensable tool, the physicist **Otto von Guericke**, born in Magdeburg and used his famous Magdeburg hemispheres experiment to demonstrate the power of air pressure to the whole world.

Nowadays, the City of Otto is still making new ideas a reality, from the world's tallest wooden tower right through to its longest water bridge. Come and make new discoveries in Magdeburg! As the Magdeburg Law says, it's "first come, first served", and the model for all of Europe's early municipal laws simply can't be wrong!

GUIDED CITY TOURS

Taking you on a journey through the City of Otto:

GUIDED WALKING TOUR (in German)
Daily at 11am
Starting point: Tourist Info, Breiter Weg 22

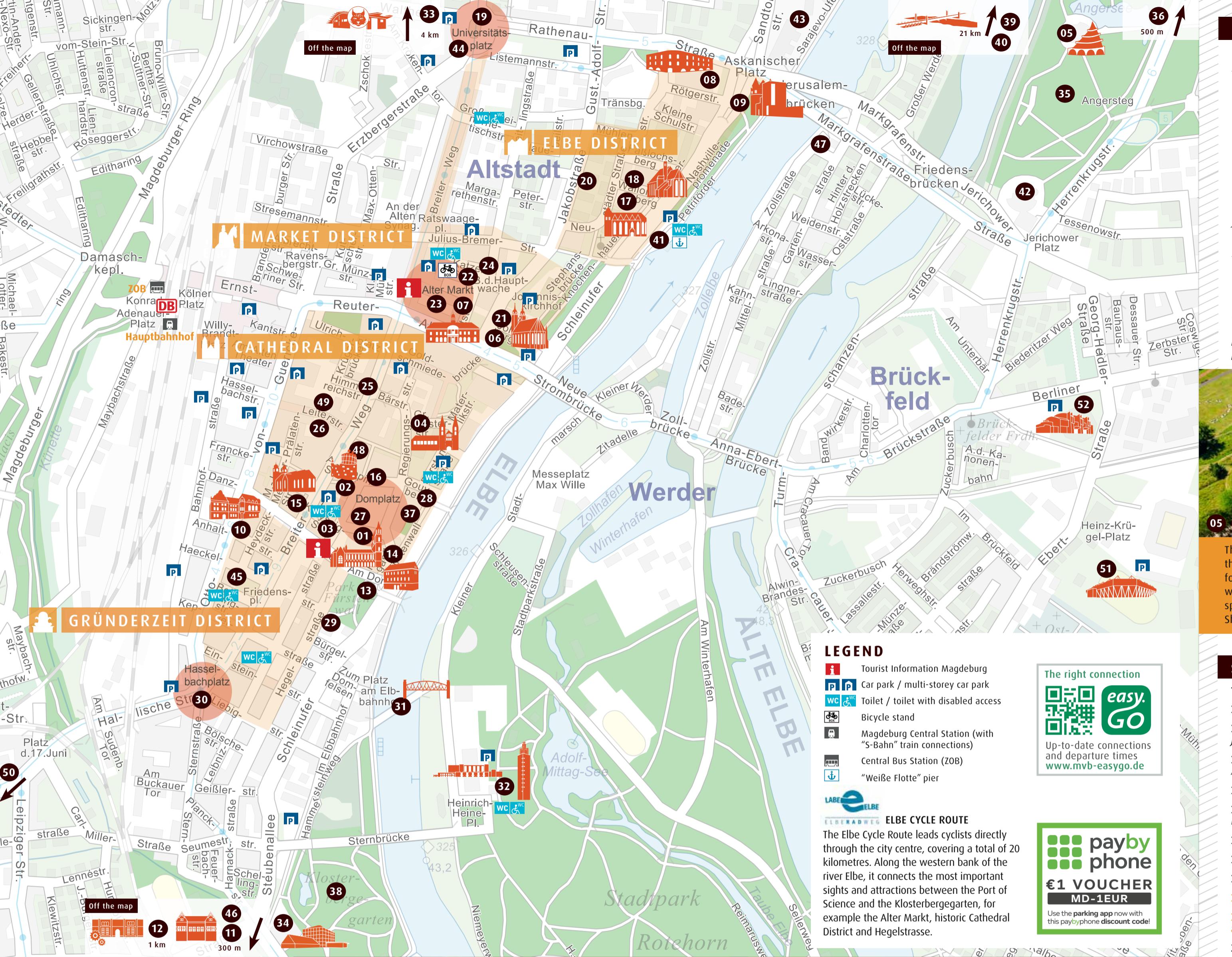
Guided City Tour on a Double-Decker Bus
Daily from April to October
Starting point: Otto von Guericke Monument / Alter Markt

City Tour by Land and Water
Daily from May to September
Starting point: Otto von Guericke Monument / Alter Markt

Guided Walking Tour of the Cathedral District
Daily at 4pm from April to December
Starting point: Dommuseum Ottonianum Magdeburg

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Your mobile phone as your personal tour guide (using information boards at sights and attractions)
A treasure hunt with your smartphone "Milestones of the History of Magdeburg" (access code available at the Tourist Information)
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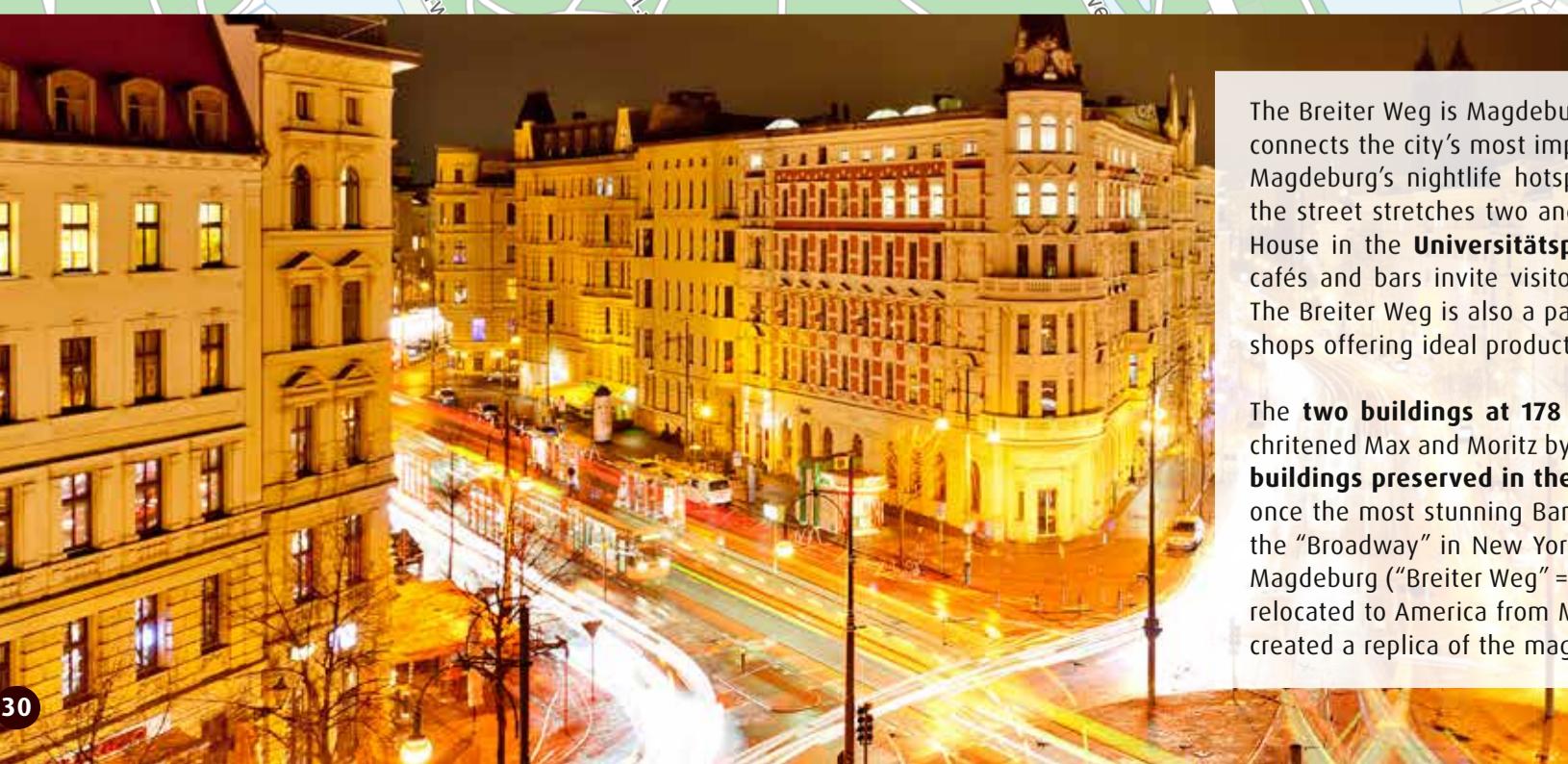
Opening hours:
Monday - Saturday 9:30am - 6pm
Sunday and public holidays 9:30am - 3pm

Tourist Information in the Ottonianum Magdeburg
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Opening hours:
Tue - Sun from 10am to 5pm,
closed on 24th and 31st Dec

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The Breiter Weg is Magdeburg's longest boulevard and connects the city's most important locations. Starting at Magdeburg's nightlife hotspot, the **Hasselbachplatz square**, the street stretches two and a half kilometres to the large Opera House in the **Universitätsplatz square**. A multitude of restaurants, cafés and bars invite visitors to enjoy culinary treats along the way. The Breiter Weg is also a paradise for shopaholics, with more than 200 shops offering ideal products for all kinds of tastes.

The **two buildings at 178 and 179 Breiter Weg** have been lovingly christened Max and Moritz by local residents. The city's last two **Baroque buildings preserved in their original form** bear witness to what was once the most stunning Baroque street in Germany. Legend has it that the "Broadway" in New York was even named after its counterpart in Magdeburg ("Breiter Weg" = "Broad Way"). It is said that in 1607, traders relocated to America from Magdeburg and missed it so much that they created a replica of the magnificent boulevard.

SIGHTS, ATTRACTIONS AND MUSEUMS

- 01. Magdeburg Cathedral**
Am Dom 1, www.magdeburgerdom.de
- 02. Green Citadel of Magdeburg**
Breiter Weg 8, www.gruene-zitadelle.de
- 03. Cathedral Museum Ottonianum Magdeburg**
Domplatz 15, www.dommuseum-ottonianum.de
- 04. Monastery of Our Lady**
Regierungsstraße 4 - 6, www.kunstmuseum-magdeburg.de
- 05. Millennium Tower**
Tessenowstraße 7, www.elbauerpark.de
- 06. St. John's Church**
Johannisbergstraße 1, www.mvgm.de
- 07. Town Hall and Magdeburg Horseman statue**
Alter Markt 6, www.magdeburg.de
- 08. Mark Fortress**
Hohefortewall 1, www.festungmark.com
- 09. Otto von Guericke Centre in the Lukasklause**
Schleiner 1, www.ovgg.ovgu.de
- 10. Magdeburg Cultural History Museum / Museum of Nature**
Otto-von-Guericke-Straße 68 - 73, www.magdeburgermuseen.de
- 11. villa p. – Puppetry Collection**
Warschauer Straße 25, www.puppentheater-magdeburg.de
- 12. Museum of Technology**
Dodendorfer Straße 26, www.technikmuseum-magdeburg.de
- 13. Cleve Bastion**
- 14. Romanesque Road Information Centre**
Domplatz 1b, www.haus-der-romanik.de
- 15. Cathedral Church of St. Sebastian**
Max-Josef-Metzger-Straße 1, www.kathedralpfarrei-sebastian.de
- 16. State Parliament of Saxony-Anhalt**
Domplatz 6 - 9, www.landtag.sachsen-anhalt.de
- 17. University Church of St. Petri**
Neustädter Straße 4, www.augustinusfarrei.de
- 18. Walloon Church**
Neustädter Straße 4, www.ek-md.de

Details on all of the sights and attractions in yellow can be found on the reverse.



DID YOU KNOW?

The smartest tower in the world can be found in the **Elbauenpark**. The park's **Millennium Tower** reveals the secrets of 6000 years of human history with activities and exhibits that visitors simply have to try out for themselves! The area directly below the top of the 60-metre-high tower, which is one of the world's tallest wooden towers, is the start of a thrilling adventure: a **huge zip line** speeding down 400 metres and guaranteeing spectacular views of the tower's stunning green surroundings. The former grounds of the German Federal Garden Show are home to just one of the multitude of large parks that stretch along the banks of the river Elbe in Magdeburg.

STREETS, SQUARES AND MONUMENTS

- 19. Universitätsplatz square**
- 20. Jakobstrasse**
- 21. Luther Monument**
Jakobstraße 2
- 22. Otto von Guericke Monument**
Alter Markt
- 23. Alter Markt (Old Market Square)**
- 24. Eisenbart Fountain**
Bei der Hauptwache 2
- 25. Breiter Weg and Baroque buildings**
- 26. Leiterstrasse and Faun Fountain**
- 27. Cathedral Square**
- 28. Fürstenwall**
- 29. Hegelstrasse with the Palais am Fürstenwall and Steuben Monument**
- 30. Hasselbachplatz square**
- 31. Lift Bridge**



BLUE RIBBON ("BLAUES BAND")

- 39. Historic Ship Lift**
- 40. Waterway Junction**
- 41. Petriförder landing with the Weiße Flotte pier and water ship mill**
- 42. NEMO swimming, leisure and spa centre**
Herrenkrugstraße 150, www.nemo-magdeburg.de
- 43. Port of Science with the Gustav Zeuner museum ship**
Werner-Heisenberg-Straße, www.kettendampfer-magdeburg.de

THEATRE, COMEDY AND SPORTS VENUES

- 44. Magdeburg Theatre, Opera House**
Universitätsplatz 9, www.theater-magdeburg.de
- 45. Magdeburg Theatre, "Schauspielhaus" play venue**
Otto-von-Guericke-Straße 67, www.theater-magdeburg.de
- 46. Magdeburg Puppet Theatre**
Warschauer Straße 25, www.puppentheater-magdeburg.de
- 47. "Theater an der Angel" theatre**
Zollstraße 19, www.theater-an-der-angel.de

GREEN CITADEL THEATRE

Breiter Weg 8a, www.theater-zitadelle.com

“Die Zwickmühle” political satire and comedy venue

Leiterstraße 2a, www.zwickmuehle.de

“Die Kugelblitz” political satire and comedy venue

Halberstädter Straße 140, www.kugelblitz.de

MDCC Arena (football stadium)

Heinz-Krügel-Platz 1, www.mvgm.de

GTEC Arena (multi-functional hall)

Berliner Chaussee 32, www.mvgm.de

PANORAMIC VIEWS

- 01. Magdeburg Cathedral**

- 05. Millennium Tower**

- 06. St. John's Church**

- 32. Albinmüller Tower**