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Wismar, Germany

Port information

Currency

The currency in Wismar is **Euro**. Major credit and debit cards are widely accepted.

Language

The language spoken in Wismar is German.

Getting around

Distance to Town

Wismar port is located 1km away.

Main Highlights

Explore the Altstadt on foot. Wismar's old town is full of history and picturesque charm. If your feet get tired on cobblestones, take a break in one of the many cafes and bars, or refuel with a smoked fish roll in the old harbor. The tourist office operates guided city tours in a small electric bus that take about 50 minutes, departing every hour between 10AM and 5PM (April-October) Tickets cost €9 for adults, €4.50 for children/students/pensioners.

The black church of the Dominicans, What was originally a Dominican monastery and church is now a public space known in Wismar. It is known by that name, for 2 reasons, not knowing for sure what is real. It is said that before the restoration, It had a blackened brick lot, and the place looked like a dark mass. Another version speaks of the black habit of the Dominicans and even its name "Domini Canes" The Dogs of the Lord.

Cultural variety in Wismar, History, museums, exhibitions, concerts, festivals, theatre, fascinating monuments of culture: the churches' Gothic brick architecture, carefully refurbished residential houses, the Wasserkunst - a renaissance welling house right in the centre of the market place – one of the most wonderful and largest in Northern Germany, the impressing classicistic city hall, the baroque fortress buildings from Swedish times... wherever you are looking - living history is everywhere. A visit to the historic city museum Schabbellhaus is also a tour through one of the most important bourgeois renaissance buildings of Mecklenburg. The Wismar City Hall Cellar, a Gothic vault hall is host to the exhibition "Wismar - pictures of a city". Hanseatic and city history can be recovered... and art lovers will be delighted by the galleries. You can not imagine Wismar's cultural life without permanently alternating exhibitions in the Baumhaus (tree house) at the Old Harbour or in the city library of the former Swedish

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This fascinating Hanseatic city is one of Northern Germany's prettiest and most historic destinations. Given World Heritage Status in 2002 by UNESCO, Wismar is world-renowned for its fine examples of Brick Gothic structures, wonderful gable houses and charming Market Square.

The Market Square, which is spread out over 10,000 square metres — is one of the largest of its kind in Northern Germany and is arguably Wismar's greatest attraction. The square is surrounded by beautiful 14th century to 19th century architecture of various styles, including Gothic and Romanesque, while the wrought-iron Wasserkunst fountain that stands proudly in the centre of the square is not to be missed.

Elsewhere in the city there is plenty to see too, including the 80 metre high **St Mary Church tower** – the only remains of the original Brick Gothic edifice – and two other huge historic churches in the old Sorbian district, while Wismar's Bürgerpark is the perfect place to enjoy a relaxing stroll through pretty gardens, or discover fine views from the top of the park's tower. **Wasserkunst, Am Markt.** Literally "the water art", this old well structure was built between 1580 and 1602 following a Dutch design, and supplied drinking water to the town until 1897. Inscriptions in German and Latin can be found on the sides of the well.

St. Nikolai, Kirchhof. This stunning brick gothic church dates from the 14th century. The 37-meter nave is still being restored after one of the towers collapsed in 1703, but the scale of the building is still impressive.

Essential information

Tourist information

The tourist information centre is located Wismar at Am Markt

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Internet access

Many cafes and restaurants in Wismar offer WiFi access.

Shopping

You will find an array of different shops and international chains dotted all over Wismar.

PLEASE NOTE: As with all tourist destinations please keep a close eye on valuables

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