



99 FAVOURITE PLACES
in Mansfeld-Südharz

ALL THIS IN MANSFELD-SÜDHARZ

Pyramids rise up to the sky, entire lakes suddenly disappear, while two of the largest figures of the Reformation look upon their life's work here in Mansfeld-Südharz. Sound unbelievable?

Our region does share a common history with the world-famous „Lying Baron of Münchhausen“ – but rest assured, the words written here are not from him!

In this brochure, you will discover the many secrets of Mansfeld-Südharz and be amazed by 99 carefully selected favourite places. Idyllic natural landscapes, cultural highlights steeped in tradition, momentous history and pure enjoyment await you!

Start your adventure –
visit Mansfeld-Südharz



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HIGHLIGHTS IN SAXONY-ANHALT:



NATURE & ADVENTURE

From the beech forests, the karst landscape or the Goldene Aue valley to the vineyards, you find an impressive and multifaceted natural landscape that invites you to actively experience and explore.

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Karst Trail in the Südharz

A ramble through breathtaking nature

There are caves, sinkholes, dolines, karst springs, rock faces and much more to be discovered on a hike on the Karst Trail. The Trail, which is 233 km long in all, runs through the stunning scenery of the Südharz (South Harz) and offers all kinds of interesting discoveries.

www.karstwanderweg.de

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Josephskreuz, Stolberg

High aloft ...

You can enjoy a magnificent view of the Harz landscape from the 38-metre double iron cross on Mount Auerberg near Stolberg. In fine weather, you'll be rewarded for climbing the 200 steps with a panoramic view as far as Mount Brocken.

www.gemeinde-suedharz.de

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The Bandweg trails around Stolberg

Hikes for the heart and soul

These hiking trails running around Stolberg offer spectacular views of the half-timbered town yet lead the hiker into a quaint, natural forest that surrounds them with a wonderful sense of peace and quiet. Only in the distance can the sounds of the nearby town be heard when one looks down into the valley. The Upper Bandweg is about 9 km long and can be walked in 2.5 hours. The shorter route, the Lower Bandweg, is only 3.2 km long and offers equally delightful views.

www.wandern-in-stolberg.de

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Schindelbruch Nature Resort

Preservers of nature

Hidden away in the idyllic beech forests of the South Harz lies the Schindelbruch nature resort. The first climate-neutral – and now climate-positive – hotel in central Germany is all about sustainability. Here, a relaxation holiday and an active programme, wellness and sport, health and culinary art, zest for life and sustainability go together as a matter of course.

Not far from there, the nature experience trail at the Schindelbruch informs visitors about the local nature, climate change and many other subjects.

www.schindelbruch.de

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Rosarium Sangerhausen

Full bloom in the town of roses

A sea of millions of rose blossoms dominates the Europa Rosarium in Sangerhausen, the world's largest collection of roses. This unique, award-winning botanical garden is a sight that impresses one anew each year, with over 8,600 different varieties and types of rose from all over the world, with their diversity of shapes, colours & fragrances.

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www.europa-rosarium.de



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Heimkehle Gypsum Cave, Ufrungen

Magical cave adventure

The „Heimkehle“ near Ufrungen is the largest gypsum show cave in Germany. Experience the fascination of cave chambers up to 22 metres high, crystal-clear cave lakes, bats in winter and a light installation in the „Great Cathedral“!

www.gemeinde-suedharz.de

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Bauerngraben near Breitungun

Now you see it, now you don't

The „Bauerngraben“ is a large brook sink and one of the most striking geological phenomena in the gypsum karst. Depending on whether the swallow holes that drain off the water underground are obstructed or clear, the lake basin fills or empties. You can learn about this phenomenon on a guided walk in the biosphere reserve.

www.bioeskarstsuedharz.de

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Crane migration

A bird of good fortune

One of the most striking natural spectacles in the region is undoubtedly the annual flight of the cranes around the Kelbra Reservoir.

Particularly in the autumn months, you can see thousands of cranes landing in the Helme Lowlands to gather fresh strength for the onward flight.

www.bioeskarstsuedharz.de

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Karst Landscape Biosphere Reserve, Südharz

Nature, culture, history

The extensive cultural and natural landscape of the Biosphere reserve covers an area of approx. 30,000 hectares along the gypsum karst mountain range and in the wide-ranging deciduous forests of the Südharz. Diverse landscapes, geological rarities and a diversity of flora and fauna await the visitor. You can find out about life in and with nature on hikes, cycling tours, exhibitions and different courses and projects organised by the Biosphere Reserve.

www.bioeskarstsuedharz.de

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Questenberg and the Queste

The jewel on the Karst Trail

The little village of Questenberg, situated in the midst of the Südharz karst landscape, conveys living history and tradition with its „Questenfest“. At the highest point of the mountain, on a hump of gypsum, stands the „Queste“ – an ancient sun symbol with a rich past.

www.gemeinde-suedharz.de

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Potholes and brook sink of the Dinster in the Südharz

Testimonies to Earth's history

On a hike in the Südharz, you can find curious rock formations such as the glacial kettle basins in the Nassetal valley, or discover underground water systems like the Dinster brook sink near Questenberg. Both phenomena are centuries old and came into being due to rocks dissolving in the gypsum karst. The potholes are up to 3 metres deep and the Dinster brook mystically vanishes underground.

www.karstwanderweg.de

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Hainrode

The loveliest village in the Südharz

This broom-making village has already succeeded in winning the title „Most Beautiful Village“ several times in various competitions, and nestles among deciduous forests and the gypsum karst, with its wide range of unusual natural phenomena: sinkholes, brook sinks, caves and steep rocks, very idyllic, directly on the Karst Trail.

www.hainrode.de

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Beech forest around Stolberg

The changing of the seasons

Experience real seasons as is only possible in the southern part of Harz. Snow-covered in winter, fresh in spring, shady in summer and a flame-coloured highlight of autumn – the beech forests enchant you with their constant changing.

www.stadt-stolberg.de

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Arboretum in Annarode

My friend the tree

In the little village of Annarode in the hilly Harz foreland there's a park containing rare trees and shrubs. This is the very first arboretum in the county – a forest nature trail made up of many species of native trees and shrubs.

www.mansfeld.eu

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Kaiser-Otto-Höhenweg

Imperial hiking pleasure

The 14 km hiking trail leads over the mountain ridge between Sangerhausen and Bennungen, along the northern edge of the Goldene Aue valley in the Südharz Karst Landscape Biosphere Reserve. The trail was named to mark the 1100th anniversary of the birth of Otto the Great. It offers magnificent views between the Allstedt Forest and the Thuringian Gate in the Goldene Aue, and of the Kyffhäuser hill range.

www.sangerhausen-tourist.de

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Rock nature trail and circular reservoir trail in the Wippertal valley

All the way round on foot

The forest and rock nature trail, called the „Knüppeldamm“ by locals, starts at the exit from Wippra and runs in a western direction. It leads directly to the reservoir, which you can admire from every side on the 6 km circular hiking trail.

www.wippra-harz.de

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Ecology Station, Sangerhausen

Green fingers

Those who don't simply want to look at nature on strolls and hikes but want to make their own small discoveries and find out interesting facts about flora and fauna will love the Ecology Station. Herb seminars, bat evenings, fungus study trips or toad campaigns teach practical nature conservation and nature & environmental education.

www.oekostation-sgh.de

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Devil's Pulpit, Wolferode

Talk of the devil

Stretching to the west of the locality of Neckendorf is the „Eislebener Stiftsholz“, a very quaint, natural-looking forest area, which is traversed by many hiking trails. Certainly the most imposing part is the Teufelsgrund („devil's ground“). Local tradition makes out the devil's pulpit and kitchen in the rocky cliffs and crevices.

www.heimatverein-wolferode.de

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Walbeck Animal Park

All creatures great and small

Walbeck Animal Park is a popular destination for animal and nature-lovers of all ages. Over 30 animal species, from the piglet to the pony, are to be found in the Park. Predominantly native species, but also exotic animals, such as the two alpacas.

www.tierparkwalbeck.wordpress.com

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Nature trail in the Holzmarken woods, Wolferode

A marvellous piece of nature

Walking along the nature trail, you'll find out a lot about native animals and plants. In the small, secluded forest you can find wild herbs growing by the trail, hear the song of the skylark and watch different wildlife at the pool springs.

www.heimatverein-wolferode.de

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The Kelterbergblick lookout point near Rollsdorf

Unforgettable moments

Above the vine-growing slopes near Rollsdorf in the lake district, you can allow your gaze to sweep over a wide landscape of vines, beyond the small villages, all the way to Lake Kerner and Lake Süsser See. Far away on the horizon, you can even make out Seeburg Castle – a particularly romantic sight at sunset.

www.seegebiet-tourismus.de

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Moltkewarte and Hohe Linde Trail, Sangerhausen

A panoramic view

This variety-filled circular hike leads through a magnificent mixed forest and beautiful meadows, all the way to the foot of the "Hohe Linde" conical slag heap. From the Moltkewarte lookout point you have a view over the whole landscape around the southern Harz foreland, with a panoramic view of the town of Sangerhausen, the Goldene Aue valley and the Kyffhäuser Natural Park. The 6 km hiking trail can be walked in about 2 hours.

www.sangerhausen-tourist.de

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Wipperia Funpark

Adrenaline up high

At the climbing park, the summer toboggan run and the bouldering rocks at the Wipperia Funpark, adventurers and adrenaline junkies of all ages will find what they are looking for. When you're done, cool off from all the excitement at the Funpark's restaurant, WIPP.

www.wipperia-funpark.de

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Cycling tours in Mansfeld-Südharz

From Luther to Handel

A cycling tour on the trails of Luther and Handel leads you through flowering meadows, fragrant orchards, the refreshing Lake Süssee and all kinds of idyllic wine taverns. The cultural route connects the Luther town Eisleben with the Handel town Halle (Saale).

www.mansfeldsuedharz-tourismus.de

Sunset over Lake Süssee ...

Sunset over Lake Süssee is an absolute highlight – the spectacular view of the sun sinking into the lake from the waterside promenade is a MUST for any guest – an amazing sight, not just for romantics!

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Heide Hof „Goldene Aue“

Close to nature

The Heide Hof farm in Hohlstedt is dedicated to regional products, proximity to nature and sustainability. At the lovingly decorated Blumencafé and farm shop, visitors can enjoy treats made from regional produce and buy a wide range of regional products. One of the highlights at the Heide Hof is the alpacas, which visitors can get very close to on guided treks.

www.heide-hof.com

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Hettstedt Camel Farm

„Experience camels close up“

At the Hettstedt camel farm, a very special experience awaits both young and adult animal lovers: upon request, visitors can get really close to the exotic camels, all while learning lots of interesting facts about them. Different packages, for instance the Animal Keeper Live package, promise to provide a unique experience. The farm is also home to other animals – alpacas, donkeys, ponies and horses.

www.kamelhof-hettstedt.de

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Surfing on Lake Süßer See

The wind in your sails

When the wind is right, Lake Süßer See changes from a peaceful idyll to an adventure paradise for water sport enthusiasts. Windsurfing is one of the many options for having a really good romp. You'll find equipment, courses, tips and tricks at the „Sweetlaker“ on the northern shore in Seeburg.

www.sweetlaker.de

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Cutter trips on Lake Süßer See

... one hand's breadth of water under your keel!

Even those who don't own a boat can still get to enjoy a ride on the water. On request, the sailing clubs on Lake Süßer See offer cutter rides for groups. It's especially nice to go sailing when lots of dinghies and even stately yachts are bounding over the lake waters.

www.sg-seeburg.de | www.seesportclub-seeburg.com

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Hasselbach ski jumps in Wippra

Only flying can beat it!

You definitely need a head for heights when you look down at the valley from the ski jumps in Wippra. Paul Winter holds the ski jumping record with a 50-metre jump. Besides regularly training for the next generation of ski jumpers, spring and autumn mat ski jumping events are held on the Hasselbach ski jump every year, which attract many spectators.

www.sfs-wippra.de

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The Alpine Club's „Mammoth Rock“ in Sangerhausen

Peak performers

The climbing rock is not only a good place to meet friends or make new friends in an informal atmosphere, but also to constantly set oneself new physical and mental challenges, learn to collaboratively overcome them and to rise above everyday concerns with the view of the Goldene Aue from the 18-metre high peak.

www.dav-suedharz.de

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Youth and school farm at the Gutshof Othal

Fun and games, relaxation and learning!

Learning by playing at the Otha youth and school farm. Yes, it's really possible: one week without modern media and nobody misses it! On the extensive farm grounds with the many farm animals and playing facilities, you have a purely natural experience.

www.schulbauernhof-othal.de

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Cycling „Tour de Hexe“

He/she who brakes last is fast for longer.

In addition to relaxed cycle touring, it's also possible to compete with hobby athletes on a challenging cycling racetrack in Mansfeld-Südharz. The „Tour de Hexe“ starts and ends at the Vatteröder Pond. The total length of the route is 118 km, and the „light version“ is 64 km long. A sporting spectacle for participants and spectators.

www.tourdehexe.de

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Allstedt Airfield

Adventure at airy heights

A flight in a propeller plane in Allstedt can infect you with the fascination for flying. Round, chartered, photo and even wedding flights are available. On request, tandem parachute jumps are also possible. The airfield is also a great location for many different events.

www.allstedt-flugplatz.de

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Kelbra Reservoir

Cool, refreshing waters

At the foot of the Kyffhäuser hill range and in the middle of the Goldene Aue valley lies one of the largest lakes of the region. Its shores offer many possibilities for activities: a camping site, options for swimming, sailing and surfing, and a boat rental to guarantee unforgettable days.

www.stausee-kelbra.de

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Wildpark Nordmann

On safari!

The extensive wildlife park belongs to the Nordmann riding and sport hotel. Beside landraces like Highlander, Galloway and Hungarian Steppe Cattle, you can also marvel at the elemental power of Germany's biggest herd of bison here. In addition, the park also contains wild native species. For even more exoticism, there are ostriches, camels and alpacas.

The wildlife park can be explored over different hiking trails, with a ranger on a safari tour, with a horse-drawn carriage or on a wild trek with the Herbs Fairy.

www.nordmannharz.de

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Balloon rides in Mansfeld-Südharz

Air & Love

A trip in a hot-air balloon is a very special experience. Escaping the daily grind, seeing cloud fields float past and viewing the world from a different angle is an adventure for mind and spirit. A balloon trip over the Mansfeld Lakes or the Vorharz enables you to enjoy the most delightful spots in the county to the full.

www.ballonreisen-arndt.de | www.ballon94.de

ART & CULTURE

Follow the trail of important European figures, experience historical mining culture and stroll through idyllic little Vorharz towns – you find authentic cultural highlights everywhere here.



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Eisleben Theatre

All the world's a stage...

Mansfeld-Südharz has a theatre with its own ensemble, who present plays from all genres: the spectator is offered a quite a selection – ranging from the classics or contemporary plays, tragedies, comedies, musicals to plays for children and young people. In addition, the theatre enriches the cultural landscape of the town and the county.

www.theater-eisleben.de

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Eisleber Wiesenmarkt

The biggest public festival in Central Germany

The scent of roasted almonds, the butterflies in your stomach on a roller-coaster ride and a breath-taking view from a lofty height on the big wheel – all mean one thing: the Eisleber Wiesenmarkt („Eisleben meadow market“) has come round again! The biggest public festival in Central Germany is the highlight of the autumn and the perfect excursion tip not just for adrenalin-junkies and fans of festival tent fun, but also for families, food-lovers, romantics and the tradition-conscious. In short, no matter whether old or young – everyone will find something to their liking in the diverse programme and the spectacular attractions. The Wiesenmarkt always takes place on the third weekend in September and is the event highlight in the region.

www.wiesenmarkt.de

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Dreckschweinfest

Farewell to winter

One special custom in the Mansfelder Grund collective municipality is the „mucky pig festival“, in which the spring is symbolically ushered in. A fight breaks out between Spring (colourfully adorned young „Whitsun lads“) and Winter (the „mucky pigs“, who bathe in mud). The lads' task is to drive out winter by cracking their whips.

www.dreckschweinfest.de

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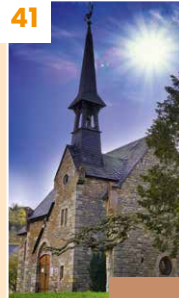
Mansfeld Museum in Humboldt Castle, Hettstedt

Experience industrial culture!

The Mansfeld Museum is devoted to the industrial history of the region. It includes a replica of the first German steam engine constructed according to Watt's plans. Baroque Humboldt Castle is of historico-cultural importance: it was here that Wilhelm von Humboldt first met his later wife Caroline von Dacheröden.

www.mansfeld-museum-hettstedt.de

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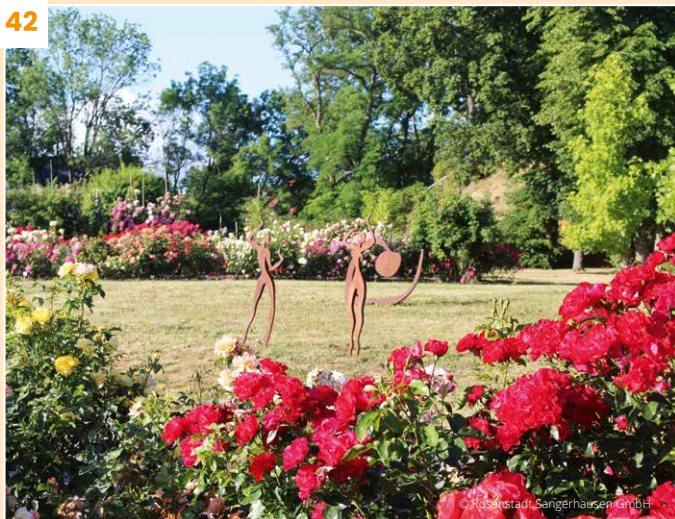
Church of St. Petri, Rollsdorf

Pure church romance

The small village church is an idyllic place for special occasions like weddings and private anniversaries. The original gothic quarry stone building was rebuilt after 1900. The original church built in the 12th century stood in a different place. However, it was possible to save the baptismal font and the bells.

www.kircheimseegebiet.com

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Roses meet art

Large outdoor art exhibition in the Europa-Rosarium in Sangerhausen

Every year from 1 July till the first Saturday in August, artists from across Germany showcase their art amidst the largest collection of roses in the world.

As you ambulate through the 13 hectares of park grounds, you will find something new to discover at every detour. Hundreds of works of art are harmoniously embedded into the unique splendour of the roses. Admire sculptures up to three metres tall made from the most varied materials: steel, marble, stone, glass, wood and even waste are the raw materials of artistic inspiration.

And on the first Saturday in August, for the closing event of the open-air exhibition, the artworks are artfully illuminated with sophisticated lighting effects.

www.rosetrittkunst.de | www.europa-rosarium.de

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Lake on Fire, Seeburg

When things really heat up!

Every July on Lake Süsser See, you can see the traditional big „Fire and Water“ multimedia show, with a huge synchronised music & firework show. The event offers several fantastic highlights, such as the exciting Dragon Boat Race, several bands and DJs, who create the right party mood and a small promenade.

www.festevent.de

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Novalis at Oberwiederstedt Castle

Philosophy and the fine arts

Oberwiederstedt Castle is the birthplace of the early Romantic poet Friedrich von Hardenberg, who was called „Novalis“. It houses a museum, an early Romanticism research centre and, with the MuseumsAka-demie Novalis education centre, is a place where knowledge is conveyed to young and old alike.

www.novalis-museum.de

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Wallhausen Castle

A place of history and modern art

A Renaissance castle, which was built at the birthplace of Otto the Great, on the Romanesque foundation walls of a moated castle, with a combination of romantic atmosphere and a modern interior. Every year, from spring to autumn, an exhibition on the life of Otto the Great as well as modern art is held here.

www.schlosswallhausen.de

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Alte Münze Coin Museum, Stolberg

As soon as a coin in the coffer rings ...

At the coin museum, you'll discover treasures of the past: the centuries-old Stolberg coin-minting tradition „left its stamp“ on life in the town to a significant degree. Today, pure silver medals are still embossed at the museum using the „Big Lever“.

www.gemeinde-suedharz.de

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Gottfried August Bürger & Kunsthof Molmerswende art yard

On the trail of the „Lying Baron of Münchhausen“

Molmerswende is the birthplace of the writer of ballads Gottfried August Bürger, the raconteur behind the stories of the Baron of Münchhausen. The local exhibition is dedicated to Bürger's work and to the adventures of the famous Baron.

Molmerswende is known beyond the region's borders as an „art village“. Discover many varied artistic offerings in the fields of literature, painting, pottery and textile design.

www.gottfried-august-buerger.de | www.heikewolff.de

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AndersWelt Theatre, Stolberg

AndersWelt – the „elsewhere world“

Enjoy an unforgettable evening at the AndersWelt Theatre at the heart of the designated „European Town“ Stolberg. A variety of cabaret evenings and theatre events are complemented by menus designed in keeping with the programme. What's special here is that you're also served culinary treats by the actors of the evening. The artist couple Christiane und Mario Jantosch bid you warmly welcome.

www.anderswelt-theater.de

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Museum of Button-Makers and Local History, Kelbra

Right on the BUTTON

The museum gives an insight into the history of button-making in Kelbra and its environs, from the importing of the mother-of-pearl shells to the development of machine invented and built here.

www.knopfmachermuseum-kelbra.de

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Schmid Schacht mining shaft, Helbra

Discover the age-old mining traditions in the World of Copper (Erlebniswelt Kupfer)

The Schmid mining shaft in Helbra is one of the major shaft systems built to mine the Kupferschiefer deposits in Mansfeld Land. At the Erlebniswelt Kupfer copper mining museum, take a guided tour to learn about the characteristic above-ground facility with renovated shaft tower and the walkable copper smelting furnace. Close by is a stone garden with rich information on the geology of Mansfeld Land.

www.erlebnisweltkupfer.de

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Events at the Kelbra Reservoir

Art from around the world

The Kelbra Reservoir is an impressive backdrop for nationally and internationally renowned events and festivals. Visitors from across Germany come to Kelbra every year to the Love Sea Festival, the Emmenrausch motorcycle gathering or the See in Flammen (Lake in Flames) fireworks spectacle to enjoy the unique event location right by the lake and experience artists from around the world.

www.stausee-kelbra.de

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The Old Post Station, Stolberg

Through the Südharz with a horsepower of two

A ride in the historical post coach of the Old Post Station in Stolberg is an unforgettable experience. The coach carries you through the little half-timbered town in the Südharz and its delightful environs.

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www.posthaltere-stolberg.de

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Climbing slag heaps in Mansfeld-Südharz

Pyramids of Mansfeld Land

Every year, the miners invite visitors to go on climbing tours of the Mansfeld slag heaps. On certain dates in spring and summer, you can climb the „Hohe Linde“ slag heap to the north of Sangerhausen and ascend the Wolfschacht („wolf shaft“) at Eisleben. You'll definitely be rewarded for your climb with a beautiful view.

www.roehrigschacht.de
www.lutherstaedte-eisleben-mansfeld.de

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Watermill, Röblingen am See

From flour to art

Enjoy musical guests with beautiful voices, poetic lyrics, virtuoso fingers and clever thoughts at the special events in the Watermill in Röblingen am See. Whether on Mill Day – which takes place annually on Whit Monday, at the „7-sleeper“ – the music festival all about the dormouse, or at „Advent at the Mill“ – the communal celebration on the third Sunday in Advent, let yourself be beguiled by the charm of the old mill and the fabulous garden – a place where there seem to be endless discoveries to be made.

www.wassermuehle-roeblingen.de

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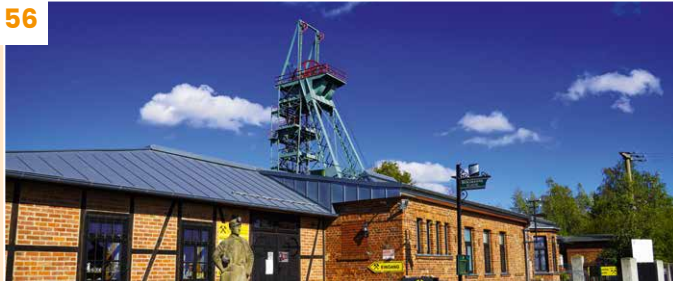
Mansfeld Mine Railway

You don't travel to arrive, but to travel.

In Mansfeld Land between Benndorf/Klostermansfeld-Siersleben and Hettstedt, our guests can have a cosy, relaxed ride on the Mansfeld mine railway. Every Saturday and on many special dates, such as Easter, Walpurgis Night, Ascension Day and St. Nicholas' Day, the historical train steams its way through fields and meadows.

www.bergwerksbahn.de

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Röhrgschacht Wettelrode

Mining Adventure Centre

The Mining Adventure Centre is situated in the midst of the historical mining landscape of the south-eastern Harz foreland. A striking landmark is one of the oldest operating steel winding towers in Europe. At a depth of 283 metres, the visitors have a first-hand experience of the history of copper slate mining in the region.

There are special tours for adventurers who want to discover the fascinating underground universe of mining in a different way, for instance by canoe or on foot in knee-deep water.

www.roehrig-schacht.de

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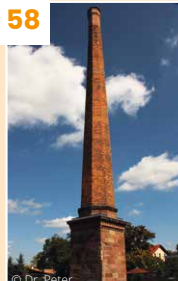
Wipperliese

Railway romance

The nicest way to explore the Wippertal valley is to travel from Klostermansfeld/Benndorf to Wippra on the Wipperliese. On the 20-km route, the traditional train rushes past valleys, meadows and fields. Highlights are the railway viaduct in Mansfeld, the Vatteröder Pond, Rammelburg and the terminal station Wippra with the reservoir.

www.wipperliese.de

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Alte Brauerei (Old Brewery) in Kelbra

A witness to the history of brewing

Under the grounds of the Alte Brauerei brewery in Kelbra run long, twisting passageways serving as cellars that can be visited in guided tours. Another feature on the old brewery grounds is the renovated chimney, which catches the eye from a long distance away.

www.kelbra.de

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Kunstzuckerhut Hettstedt

Regional culture

What once was a prison is now a cultural centre: the Kunstzuckerhut in Hettstedt provides a space for numerous cultural events, from live music to cabaret or book readings. The interior is also used as an exhibition space for artists from the region and beyond.

www.kunstzuckerhut-hettstedt.de

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Alte Hettstedter Druckerei printing press in Heise

Printing technology from the 19th century

In 1831, the Hettstedter Wochenblatt was printed in the Alte Hettstedter Druckerei in Heise. Today technical artefacts from the printing press are displayed there, for instance a rotary printing press from 1899, a cylinder printing press from 1890 or a linotype for typesetting and casting from 1930. The exhibited technology is unique in Germany for its state of conservation.

www.alte-hettstedter-druckerei.de

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Trail of Songs

Sing along!

The „Straße der Lieder“ (Trail of Songs) starts at the Schindelbruch nature resort and leads the musically minded through the idyllic landscapes of the Harz. At 14 song stations, song texts on various subjects associated with the hike are displayed. At the final station for example, in front of the Joseph Cross, one finds the song „Die Gedanken sind frei“ (The mind is free), because that is exactly what hikers should be experiencing at the end of the trail, up on the heights of the Auerberg hill.

www.stadt-stolberg.de

Advent in Mansfeld-Südharz

The festive magic of the lovingly set up Christmas stalls casts its spell over visitors to „Advent in Luther's courtyards“ in Eisleben, „Advent in the rose courtyards“ in Sangerhausen, „Advent in the copper yards“ in Hettstedt or the lights-filled town of Stolberg im Harz.

www.sangerhausen-tourist.de

www.stadt-stolberg.de

www.eisleber-weihnachtsmarkt.de

www.hettstedt.de





HISTORY & REFORMATION

Mansfeld-Südharz is the birthplace and site of the works of two important personalities who significantly influenced the Reformation through their ideas and their actions. In the land of Martin Luther and the home of Thomas Müntzer, the traces of a momentous past can still be seen around every corner.

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Luther's birth house, Eisleben

Where Luther came into the world

Martin Luther was born on 10th November 1483 in Eisleben. Luther's birth house is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and gives a comprehensive insight into the life of the great reformer. In the exhibition „I come from here – Martin Luther and Eisleben“, over 250 exhibits are on display, impressively illustrating Luther's life.

www.martinluther.de

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Church of St. Petri-Pauli / Baptism Centre, Eisleben

The sacrament of baptism

A special point of interest is the baptismal font in which Martin Luther was baptised on 11th November 1483. Since 2012, the late-Gothic hall church has shone in new splendour. The lines of windows and floor run towards a baptismal font, into which water flows ceaselessly.

www.zentrum-taufe-eisleben.de

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Luther's childhood home

„I'm a child of Mansfeld“

Throughout his life, Martin Luther felt a connection to the town of Mansfeld. A few months after he was born, the family moved from Eisleben to Mansfeld, where Luther's father Hans worked as a master smelter. The exhibition in Luther's childhood home gives an insight into the everyday life of the family. Outstanding archaeological finds show what the Luthers ate at mealtimes, how they dressed and what toys the reformer-to-be played with as a child.

www.martinluther.de

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St. George's Church, Mansfeld

Luther's home church

The single-nave hall church of St. Georg proudly stands right in the heart of the Old Town of Mansfeld. Besides the magnificent tombs of the Mansfeld counts, the church also houses an organ built by Furtwängler, a full-length portrait of Martin Luther by Lucas Cranach, and three altars dating from the 15th and 16th century.

www.kirchenkreis-eisleben-soemmerda.de

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Mansfeld Castle

Live like a count

Mansfeld Castle was the ancestral seat of the Mansfeld counts. Today, a Christian youth education centre and meeting point welcomes visitors on leisure and school trips. The late-Gothic castle church and the fortress ruins are particularly worth seeing, and there's a superb view from the valley bastion of the fortress. The „Wächterstube“ („guardroom“) Café not only offers information and souvenirs, but also mouth-watering treats.

www.schloss-mansfeld.de

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St. Annen Church and Monastery in Lutherstadt Eisleben

Bible stories

The miners' church of St. Annen is one of Germany's most beautiful Renaissance churches. The Augustinian monastery adjoins the church. The monks' cells, with their quaint gables, are preserved in their original state. Martin Luther was a regular guest here.

www.kirche-eisleben-stannen.de

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Luther's last residence, Eisleben

Luther's last journey

Martin Luther travelled time and again to the town of his birth, Eisleben. On his last trip, he died there on 18th February 1546. The house where Luther died, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is dedicated to the last days and hours of the reformer.

The exhibition „Luther's Last Journey“ describes his stay in Eisleben and looks at the whole topic of dying and death. One of the most important exhibits is the original pall that covered Luther's coffin in 1546.

www.martnluther.de

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Helfta Convent

The crowning glory of German nunneries

The Helfta Convent is situated at the edge of the Luther town Eisleben. In the 13th century, the three great mystics Gertrud von Helfta, Mechthild von Hakeborn and Mechthild von Magdeburg lived here. For something a little more reflective, you can head for instance to the Gertrudkapelle chapel, designed by the Brazilian artist Claudio Pastro. Guided tours can be booked.

www.kloster-helfta.de

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Spengler Museum

The elephant in the room!

The museum presents the history and natural surroundings of the town of Sangerhausen and its environs. One big attraction is the skeleton of the Steppe Elephant of Edersleben. The branch museum Spengler House is the original residence of the Sangerhaus master carpenter, local historian and mammoth excavator Gustav Adolf Spengler.

www.spenglermuseum.de

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Allstedt Fortress & Castle

Imperial palace und Reformation site

With its construction and usage history, which is unique throughout Germany, and the largest castle kitchen in Europe, Allstedt Fortress & Castle, the authentic centre of activity of the reformer Thomas Müntzer, a place of special significance.

www.schloss-allstedt.de

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Luther Trail and St. Ägidius' Church, Hergisdorf

Art and culture in a rural setting

The Luther family also had a close connection to the villages in the Mansfelder Grund collective municipality. Luther himself personally arbitrated in a dispute between the people of Hergisdorf and Eisleben. The result was that the Hergisdorfers were allowed to go on brewing their own beer. Today, a relief of the reformer at St. Ägidius' Church still testifies to his strong connection to the village.

www.luthers-weg.de

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Stolberg Castle

A guest of counts and princes!

The castle of the Counts of Stolberg is an impressive sight, with its stately rooms, the castle chapel and the historical staircase in the „prince's wing“. You can enjoy a superb view over the half-timbered town from the castle terrace, which is on Saxony-Anhalt's list of historical „Garden Dreams“.

www.stadt-stolberg.de

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Royal Palace of Tilleda

Where kings and emperors once ruled

Over the past few years, against the unique setting of the Kyffhäuser hills, the fully excavated former residence of the German emperors and empresses has been converted into an exciting adventure museum, where attractive events are regularly held as well.

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www.pfalz-tilleda.de

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Wansleben concentration subcamp

A place of remembrance and of warning

The subcamp of the Buchenwald concentration camp in Wansleben am See existed from March 1944 to April 1945. A memorial was erected here to process and remember the brutality of the Nazi regime in Mansfeld Land. A permanent exhibition draws attention to the history of the subcamp and the misuse of the old salt mines under the Nazi regime.

www.seegebiet-mansfelder-land.de

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Lutherweg pilgrimage route

Hiking in Luther's trail

From Süßer See Lake to Stolberg, the Lutherweg winds through the Mansfeld-Südharz district over marked hiking trails. The route connects locations of significance in the life and actions of the important Reformer Martin Luther, such as his parents' home in Mansfeld or the house in which he died in the „Lutherstadt“ Eisleben.

www.lutherweg.de

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Luther's „Cold Place“

Where Luther froze

In his last letters to his wife, Martin Luther wrote of a place near Unterriszdorf where the wind would blow so viciously that his brain turned to ice. Today an information sign marks the spot of this experience on Luther's last journey. A resting area at the foot of the Weinberg Mountains invites the weary to pass the time, while hiking enthusiasts will be delighted to find a stamping spot of the Harzer Wandernadel.

www.lutherweg.de

Luther's last sermon

The late Gothic Church of St. Andreas has an Altar of Our Lady, as well as tombs of the Mansfeld counts. Martin Luther gave his last four sermons from the pulpit. After his death, he lay in state here on 19th February 1546.



www.kirche-in-eisleben.de



ENJOYMENT & WELLNESS

The culinary arts and wellness sweeten any trip – and no visit is complete without a pleasure tour of top-class restaurants, cosy wine taverns, lots of small cafés and great spa & wellness landscapes!

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Thyragrotte Stolberg

Bring on the water!

Action-packed bathing fun or pure relaxation – you'll find it all at the Thyragrotte open-air swimming pool in Stolberg. Several indoor and outdoor swimming pools, a children's pool, whirlpool, wide waterslide and a large sauna landscape beckon you to stay and relax.

www.gemeinde-suedharz.de

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Landmarkt Rothenschirnbach farmer's market

Delicious local produce

The Landmarkt Rothenschirnbach farmer's market is an experience for the senses that will appeal to children as well as adults. The adventure playground, miniature golf course, and snack garden with berries and beds of herbs invite you to slow down and try them out. The farm shop offers a wide range of its own and of regional produce. Finish off with a meal in the Brauhaus restaurant, which serves regional dishes and drinks.

www.landmarkt-rothenschirnbach.de

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Orangerie Seeburg

Feasting in the Toscana of Central Germany

Let yourself be pampered with a unique view of Lake Süsser See and enjoy the fresh culinary delicacies.

International specialities and excellent regional vintner wines await the guest on the open-air terrace under the castle walls.

www.orangerie-seeburg.de

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Seeterrassen Seeburg

The most beautiful place!

This modern restaurant, situated right by the waters of Lake Süsser See with a romantic panoramic view of Seeburg Castle, is always worth a visit. Gazing at fabulous sunsets in summer and sitting by the cosy fire in winter, you can enjoy the Mediterranean and local cuisine, cocktails, select wines, and home-baked cake and ice-cream specialities.

www.seeterrassen-seeburg.de

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Obsthof Aseleben Cherry Festival

Fresh-harvested to the table!

In the Mansfeld Lakes area, which belongs to the Saale-Unstrut region, winegrowers have for centuries created and preserved a unique cultural landscape and produced outstanding wines. A wine-tasting session in one of the traditional wine cellars is a real culinary experience.

www.weingut-rollsorfer-muehle.de

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Obsthof Aseleben Cherry Festival

Fresh-harvested to the table!

A colourful, fresh-harvest day awaits guests to the Obsthof fruit farm in Aseleben. The highlight is the big farmers' market, with a wide variety of regional specialities. In addition, musical performances provide a great atmosphere.

www.obsthof-aseleben.de

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Mansfelder Seen Wine Route

Drop in ...

... for a delicious drop of wine! The 25-kilometre road connects present and former localities, from Zappendorf to beyond Unterrissdorf. Vineyards, roadway restaurants and inns, lookout points and other attractions invite you to linger awhile. The local cuisine, combined with wines from the region is highly recommended.

www.weinstrasse-mansfelder-seen.de

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© Robert Becker

Ratsstube, Eisleben

In the heart of the Luther town

The team at the Ratsstube („town hall snuggery“) invite you to leave the stress and hectic pace behind and to relax and enjoy in a cosy atmosphere! From April to October you can also do this in the beer garden, with a direct view of beautiful Eisleben Town Hall and the famous Luther memorial. The Sushi Evening is a real insider's tip!

www.ratsstube-eisleben.de

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Gerbstedt castle café

Fairy-tale moments

Being a prince and princess in a castle is a dream that comes true for guests in Gerbstedt. Situated in historical Gerbstedter Park, you'll find the cosy Schlosscafé. Follow Luther's trail and in between enjoy a cup of coffee with home-baked cakes and gâteaux.

www.schloss-gerbstedt.de

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SaWanne Sangerhausen

Swimming in the town of roses

„Swimming – Sauna – Wellness“: that's the motto of the SaWanne indoor pool in Sangerhausen, the town of roses. There is a swimmer, non-swimmer and children's pool. A 3-metre diving board and a climbing wall add some excitement. For something more relaxing, head to the sauna area with quiet rooms, event showers and ice fountain.

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www.sawanne.de

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Fischerhof am Kernersee

Fresh-caught to the table

Fishing is an old handicraft on the Mansfeld Lakes – the blue eye of the region. Here, native fish species are bred, caught and processed. The smoked specialties are a particular delight, and from April to October the Fischerhof fish shop offers delicious fried treats every weekend.

www.kernersee.de

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Hafenbar Hettstedt

In the small world

The „Harbour Bar“ in Hettstedt stands for a variety-filled programme, cocktails, long drinks and Wipper water. Besides events with local and international DJs, the Spring Bonfire on Holy Thursday or the little „Christmas World“ on the third Sunday of Advent, there are also regular live music events.

www.hafenbar-hettstedt.de

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„Feuer & Eis“

Eiscafé Feuer & Eis

Creamy pleasure in Stolberg

There's surely no one who doesn't enjoy having an ice cream on a warm summer's day or rewarding themselves with a piece of home-baked cake after a strenuous hike! Now it's all possible again in the little half-timbered town of Stolberg! Where? At the „Fire & Ice“ ice-cream parlour. Here, you can not only enjoy the classics, but also try highly unusual varieties like blood orange or cucumber ice cream in a wafer. Drop by and enjoy the surprise!

www.eiscafefeuerreis.eatbu.com

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Wippra Museum Brewery

Hops and malt

Ever since 1480, a full-bodied beer has been brewed at the historical Sudhaus in Wippra, driven by a transmission plant that's unique in Central Germany. The craft beer concept is practiced here with passionate enthusiasm, which gives the beer its unique character. Tours of the brewery give a fascinating insight into the art of brewing.

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www.wippra-bier.de

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Officially recognised resort town of Seeburg

Mediterranean feeling in Mansfeld-Südharz

The officially recognised resort town of Seeburg is in the middle of a nature protection area and right by the shore of Süßer See Lake. An unmistakable feature of the landscape, Seeburg Castle rises majestically into the sky. One thing that makes this place special is the almost Mediterranean atmosphere, which is due to the mild and dry climate and is beneficial to health.

www.seegebiet-mansfelder-land.de

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Schloss-Café Allstedt

A knightly feast

Immerse yourself in the world of knights, lords and witches in the unforgettable atmosphere of the castle café. Delicious home-baked cake or the herbs and game kitchen are a real culinary delight. A further highlight is the historical castle kitchen.

www.schloss-cafe-allstedt.de

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Kaffeehaus Siebenhuener

Tradition for over 100 years

Visit this café in the beautiful Südharz, which surprises the guest with home-baked cake and gâteau specialties. The ice-cream sundaes, with a variety of ice-cream specialties created in the café's ice-cream lab are highly recommended.

www.kaffeehaus-siebenhuener.de

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Gasthaus „Zur Queste“

Experience Celtic cooking

In the heart of the karst landscape, you find a very special restaurant, which serves Celtic dishes in a rustic atmosphere. The dishes are based on archaeological research and scientific analyses of Celtic culinary skills. The restaurant attaches great importance to using wild plants and herbs from its own garden.

www.zurqueste.de

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Hotel FreiWerk, Stolberg

Eat well, celebrate at leisure

The 120-year-old half-timbered architecture of the FreiWerk Hotel is impressively resplendent. And the magnificent view is not the only delight: fresh, regional specialities are served in the restaurant, library, bar, panorama terrace and forest lounge.

www.hotel-freiwerk.de

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FRIWI Café, Stolberg

Welcome to biscuit paradise

Using select raw materials of the finest quality and from the best sources, FRIWI produces delicious baked goods with great handicraft experience, following old family recipes. The cosy café at the headquarters of the FRIWI works in Stolberg with indoor seating for 36 and outdoor seating for 20 looks forward to your visit.

www.friwi.de

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Officially recognised climatic spa town of Stolberg (Harz)

Germany's most beautiful village

Tucked away between beech forests lies the romantic town of Stolberg with its half-timbered houses. The climatic spa town is the perfect place to just stroll and enjoy. In the narrow alleys, sweet scents pull visitors to the many little cafés, authentic restaurants and local shops.

www.stadt-stolberg.de

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Kirschcafé, Tilleda

Dining with a view of the Kyffhäuser hills

The restaurant & café, with its cosy outdoor seating, invites guests to stop for a rest after a hike. It's beautifully situated in a former farmhouse. The home-baked cake is particularly good.

Bathing in Mansfeld-Südharz

When the summer weather's here, a dive into the cool water is just what's needed. The many open-air and forest swimming areas in Mansfeld-Südharz are the perfect place to cool off, be active and relax.



Audioguide

Download the free explorer apps for your
tour of the town!



... Sangerhausen



... Hettstedt



... Stolberg



Accessible travel in Mansfeld-Südharz

Accessibility is important for people with disabilities to live an independent life and enjoy a stress-free holiday. But other people with restricted movement, like seniors or those recovering from an accident, also benefit from measures to make places accessible. One of the focus points of the project „Local participation management in the Mansfeld-Südharz district“ is accessible tourism.

You can find more information on the accessibility of touristic sites and providers in Mansfeld-Südharz at:

www.mansfeldsuedharz-tourismus.de

teilhabe.mansfeldsuedharz.de

You'll find further information at our **Tourist Information Offices:**

Eisleben & Mansfeld

www.lutherstaedte-eisleben-mansfeld.de

Sangerhausen

www.sangerhausen-tourist.de

Stolberg und der Südharz

www.gemeinde-suedharz.de

Kelbra

www.kelbra.de

Hettstedt

www.hettstedt.de/hettstedt-entdecken

Seegebiet Mansfelder Land

www.seegebiet-mansfelder-land.de

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