

At a Glance



# Görlitz



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# A City with a thousand Secrets

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# Every Walk is a Journey through Time

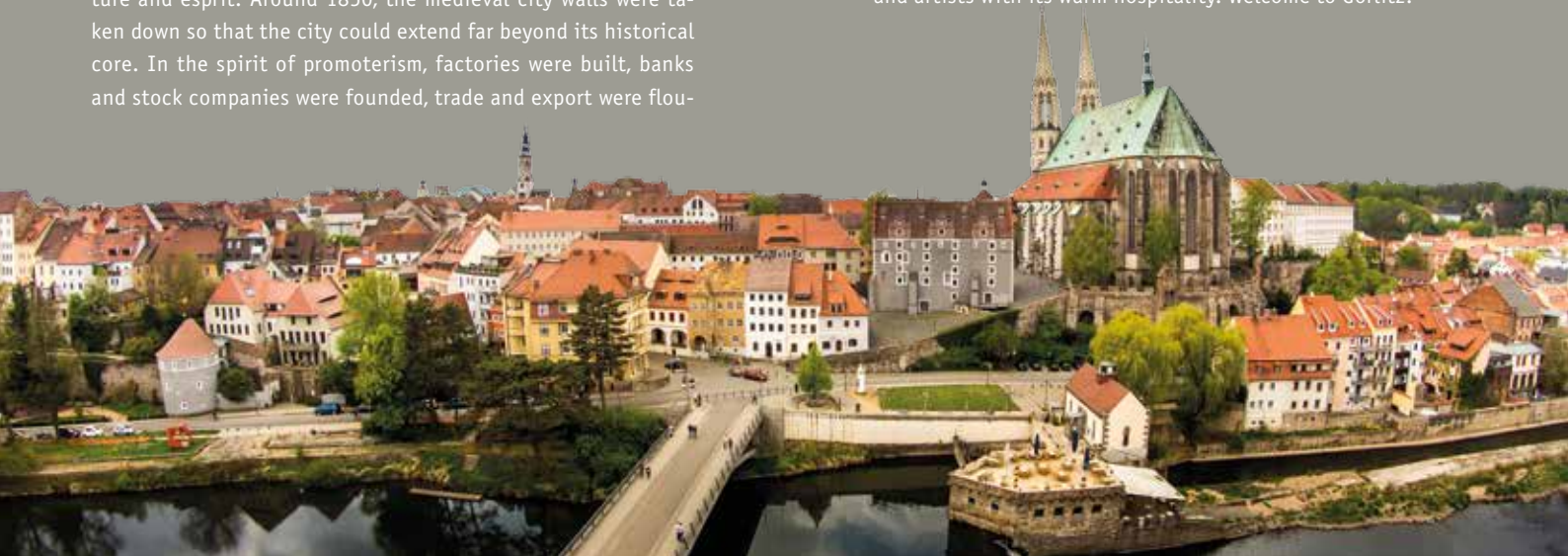
For many people, Görlitz is not just the most beautiful city in Germany, but also an architectural work of art with a European format. The heritage area offers a rich history together with a splendid presence. For a long time, Görlitz has been one of the wealthiest cities of this region, economically successful and politically strong. There was a time, when the city upon the Neiße River had more than 100,000 inhabitants, and thus, even exceeded Dresden, today's state capital of Saxony.

It is to cloth and woad trade that the city owes its blossoming during the early modern times. Thanks to the favourable location along the Neiße River and the Via Regia trade route leading from Kiev to Santiago de Compostela, Görlitz developed into an important centre of commerce, culture, architecture and handicraft. Furthermore, the trade route promoted a lively exchange between the city of Görlitz and more distant European regions. In the 16th century, the theosophist Jacob Böhme caused a stir. Working as a simple shoemaker in Görlitz, he developed his theories on the „Unity of man and nature“, which attracted world-wide attention. In the 19th century, Görlitz saw another uprise. Due to industrialisation and the building of the railway and the theatre, the contemplative town of Görlitz turned into a rich city full of culture and esprit. Around 1850, the medieval city walls were taken down so that the city could extend far beyond its historical core. In the spirit of promoterism, factories were built, banks and stock companies were founded, trade and export were flourish-

ing. Completely new city districts were built, and within just a few decades, the number of inhabitants grew up to 85,000. Thus, at the beginning of the 20th century, Görlitz was the wealthy and splendid centre of the Prussian Upper Lusatia and, after Breslau, the second biggest city in Lower Silesia. It was only at the end of the Second World War, when the Neiße River became the state border between East Germany and Poland, that Görlitz turned out to be a city located at the eastern edge of Germany. And not only the two countries were separated by the river, but the city as well: In the East, there is Zgorzelec, in the West, there is Görlitz.

Until the political turn in Germany in 1989, the historical structure was left to decay. The reunification of Germany was a blessing, particularly for the Old Town. An important contribution was made by an anonymous donator who provided a donation called the „Old Town Million“ (today around 511,000 Euros) every year between 1995 and 2016 in order to support the large-scale restoration turning the Old Town into a gem. Today, the city with its 4,000 monuments from the periods of Gothik, Renaissance, Baroque and Wilhelminian architecture is more splendid than ever before.

Ever since the EU expansion in 2004, the European City Görlitz-Zgorzelec is getting more and more important being a hub between East and West. The German-Polish city presents itself as a vital place with a rich cultural life. Known as Görlwood, the city also regularly provides an authentic and versatile backdrop for national and international film productions and inspires crews and artists with its warm hospitality. Welcome to Görlitz!





# Rich History and splendid Presence

- 1071** ▶ First documented reference
- 1303** ▶ Receival of the Town Charter
- 1346** ▶ Foundation of the Six Towns' League together with Bautzen, Kamenz, Lauban, Löbau, Zittau
- 1547** ▶ Treason process known as the Upperlusatian "Pönfall" leading to the loss of all privileges the city used to have in terms of concerning customs and right of way
- 1525, 1691, 1717** ▶ Devastating town fires
- 1815** ▶ As a result of the Vienna Congress, Görlitz is assigned to the Prussian province of Silesia
- 1847** ▶ Start of a new era of the city's development under Lord Mayor Demiani, fall of the city walls, connection to the railway network
- 1849** ▶ Beginnings of the Görlitz wagon building tradition by C. Lüders
- 1871** ▶ After the foundation of the German Reich, uprising and development of new city districts in the style of Wilhelminian architecture
- 1945** ▶ Separation into the Polish city of Zgorzelec and the German city of Görlitz
- 1989** ▶ Political turn in Germany, since then, continuous restoration of large parts of the city
- 1992** ▶ Foundation of the University of Applied Sciences Zittau/Görlitz
- 1998** ▶ Proclamation of the European City of Görlitz/Zgorzelec
- 2003** ▶ First Hollywood film production in Görlitz
- 2007** ▶ Poland accedes to the Schengen Agreement, elimination of frontier controls
- 2016** ▶ Last time to receive the so-called „Old Town Million“, a donation given by the anonymous donator to restore historical buildings



## Collected Treasures

### SILESIAN MUSEUM GÖRLITZ (SCHLESISCHES MUSEUM)

- Brüderstraße 8, phone +49 3581 87 91 0
- [www.schlesisches-museum.de](http://www.schlesisches-museum.de)
- Open: Tue to Sun 10.00 am - 5.00 pm
- Public guided tour on Mon at 10.00 am

» 900 years of Silesian history, traditional craftsmanship, precious Renaissance architecture plus an exhibition presented in a modern design – that is the Silesian Museum in Görlitz. Especially the dialogue on Silesia's past and future is a matter of particular concern to the museum.

### SENCKENBERG MUSEUM FOR NATURAL HISTORY

- Am Museum 1, phone +49 3581 47 60 51 00
- [www.naturkundemuseum-goerlitz.de](http://www.naturkundemuseum-goerlitz.de)
- Open: Tue to Fri 10.00 am - 5.00 pm, Sat/Sun 10.00 am - 6.00 am

» Dioramas designed to have a near-natural look present the diverse and beautiful habitats in Upper Lusatia. Visitors can experience nature face-to-face with wolves and other inhabitants of the region. The vivarium, the rain forest and savannah exhibitions as well as the soil column are further highlights of the museum.

### MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND CULTURE | [www.museum-goerlitz.de](http://www.museum-goerlitz.de)

» **Kaisertrutz** | Platz des 17. Juni 1 | phone +49 3581 67 14 20

- Open: Tue to Sun 10.00 am - 4.00 pm (extended opening hours during the season)
- Visitors are invited to go on a journey through time covering 14,000 years of the region's history and culture. The Gallery of Modern Arts shows about 200 works of visual and applied arts of the 20th and 21st centuries.

» **Barockhaus (Baroque House)** | Neißstraße 30 | phone +49 3581 67 14 10

- Open: Tue to Sun 10.00 am - 4.00 pm (extended opening hours during the season)
- Visitors are invited to go on a journey through time covering 14,000 years of the region's history and culture. The Gallery of Modern Arts shows about 200 works of visual and applied arts of the 20th and 21st centuries.

» **Upperlusatian Library of Sciences** | through Barockhaus  
Neißstraße 30 | phone +49 3581 67 13 50

- Open: Tue to Sun 10.00 am - 4.00 pm (extended opening hours during the season)
- The impressive backdrop library is the biggest active library of the city containing 140,000 volumes of books of historical and regional importance, among them the world's most comprehensive collection of works by the Görlitz theosophist Jakob Böhme.

» **Reichenbacher Turm (Reichenbach Tower)** | Platz des 17. Juni 4

- Open: Tue to Sun 10.00 am - 5.00 pm (from April to October)
- The tower is part of the old city fortification and serves as a viewing tower today.

» **Nikolaiturm (St. Nicholas' Tower)** | Nikolaigraben/Nikolaistraße

- Open: from April to December, open to climb up every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month (at every full hour at 2.00 pm, 3.00 pm and 4.00 pm)
- The tower is part of the old city fortification and serves as a viewing and exhibition tower today.

### MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHY

- Löbauer Straße 7 | phone + 49 3581 87 87 61
- [www.fotomuseum-goerlitz.de](http://www.fotomuseum-goerlitz.de)
- Open: Tue to Sun 12.00 am - 6.00 pm

» The photographic and optical industries of the region used to be among the most important ones all over Germany. Apart from the permanent technical exhibition, there are changing exhibitions to visit, too.

### TOY MUSEUM

- Rothenburger Straße 7 | phone +49 3581 40 58 70
- [www.spielzeugmuseum-goerlitz.de](http://www.spielzeugmuseum-goerlitz.de)
- Open: Wed to Fr 10.00 am - 1.00 pm, 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm  
Sat/Sun 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm

» Mr Sandman and his friends as well as cars and toys made of wood and tin invite the visitor. Special things to see are the toy maker's workshop and a miniature landscape under glass covering not more than four square metres.



## Between the Sun Organ and the Holy Sepulchre

### HOLY SEPULCHRE

- Heilige-Grab-Straße 79, [www.evkulturstiftunggr.de](http://www.evkulturstiftunggr.de)
- Open: Mon to Sat 10.00 am – 4.00 pm. On Sun and public holidays 11.00 am – 4.00 pm (extended opening hours during the season)

» The Holy Sepulchre is part of a medieval ensemble including the Church of St. Peter and Paul as well as the Way of the Cross. The complex is a copy of the most important parts of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem. Georg Emmerich, son of a Görlitz merchant, donated this copy after he had been on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. It was consecrated in 1504 and neither destroyed nor modified in the course of the centuries.

### ST. NICHOLAS' CEMETERY

- Open: daily from 6.30 am – 6.00 pm (extended opening hours during the season)

» St. Nicholas' Cemetery is the city's oldest cemetery. It was in use until the middle of the 19th century and features more than 600 mainly baroque tombs as well as 16 crypts, some of them still boasting a remarkable quality. Under the old trees, you may find the tombs of well-known characters, such as the one of the theosophist Jakob Böhme.

### ST. PETERS' CHURCH | [www.sonnenorgel.de](http://www.sonnenorgel.de)

- Bei der Peterskirche 9, phone +49 3581 42 87 010 or 42 87 012
- Open: Mon to Sat 10.00 am – 4.00 pm, Sun and public holidays 11.45 am – 4.00 pm (extended opening hours during the season)
- Organ presentation (Orgel Punkt 12): every Sun at 12 o'clock, from April to October on Tue, Thu and Sun at 12 o'clock, on public holidays at 12 o'clock

» The five-aisled late-gothic hall church built between 1425 and 1497 is the biggest of its kind all over Saxony and shapes the cityscape like no other. The baroque "Sun Organ" built by Eugenio Casparini, at that time a very famous organ builder living in Italy, is of particular importance. It dates back to 1703 and was reconstructed by Mathis Orgelbau AG between 1997 and 2006. Visitors are invited to enjoy regular public organ presentations called "Orgel Punkt 12".

### TRINITY CHURCH

- Klosterplatz 21, phone +49 3581 42 87 010 or 42 87 012

» The former abbey church belonged to the Franciscan monastery and was built between 1234 and 1245. It is located at the Obermarkt (Upper Market) and impresses the visitor with its rich interior from different periods as well as numerous works of sacred art. Part of the church is planned to be restored and opened as a museum in the future

### JEWISH SYNAGOGUE

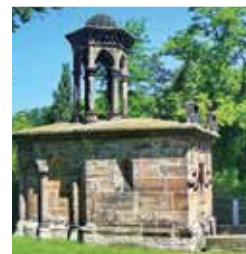
- Otto-Müller-Straße 3, [www.synagoge-goerlitz.de](http://www.synagoge-goerlitz.de)
- Open: Sun 11.00 am – 1.00 pm (from Easter to October)

» The Jewish synagogue consecrated in 1911 was built by the architects William Lossow and Max Hans Kühne for the Jewish community which had grown remarkably. Being the only synagogue in Saxony not destroyed during the pogrom night in 1938, it is a monument of national importance today. Restoration started in 1991, and the building is expected to be re-opened as a cultural forum in 2019.

### JEWISH CEMETERY

- Biesnitzer Straße, phone +49 3581 401012
- Open: Fri 7.00 am – 2.00 pm, Sun to Thu 7.00 am – 6.00 pm

» The Jewish community had purchased the place in 1849. The first funeral took place in 1852, and the cemetery is in use until today.







## Events for the whole Family

### NATURE RESERVE ZOO GÖRLITZ-ZGORZELEC

- Zittauer Straße 43 | phone +49 3581 66 93 000 | [www.zoo-goerlitz.de](http://www.zoo-goerlitz.de)
- Open: daily from 9.00 am - 4.00 pm (extended opening hours during the season)

» Both kids and adults are delighted with the near-natural, lovingly designed walk-in enclosures on an area of just 5 hectares. The Tibetan village, the discovery barn, the farm animals' playground or the Lusatian farm are further highlights of the zoo.

### GÖRLITZ VINTAGE PARKRAILWAY

- An der Landskronbrauerei 118 | phone +49 3581 407090
- [www.goerlitzerparkeisenbahn.de](http://www.goerlitzerparkeisenbahn.de)
- Running from April until October

» For more than 40 years, the Vintage Railway has been doing its laps in the park next to the Landskron Brewery. After the tour, kids are invited to romp in the climbing park or to slide down the huge snail.

» For further family adventures, please see [www.visit-goerlitz.com](http://www.visit-goerlitz.com) or check [www.freizeitknueller.de](http://www.freizeitknueller.de)

### INDOOR PLAYGROUND KINDER-SPIEL-LAND

- Geschwister-Scholl-Str. 15, phone +49 3581 750 1030
- [www.kinder-spiel-land.de](http://www.kinder-spiel-land.de)
- Open: daily from 2.00 pm - 7.00 pm

» The indoor playground promises exciting adventures all year long on trampolines, in the climbing area, on the mini kart track and more.

### PLAYGROUNDS

» Görlitz has many beautiful and well-designed playgrounds for small and tall adventurers. When strolling through the Old Town for example, the playgrounds in the city park and along the river on Uferstraße invite you to play.



### THE LOCAL MOUNTAIN LANDESKRONE

» Being visible for miles around, this basalt cone is the landmark of the city. Even a treasure is said to be hidden here. Today, the nature reserve is a lovely place for walking – in the middle of the city.

### LEISURE PARK KULTURINSEL EINSIEDEL

- 02829 Neißeau/Zentendorf | phone +49 35891 49 11 3
- [www.kulturinsel.com](http://www.kulturinsel.com)
- Open: March to October daily from 10 am

» Come and experience the imaginative adventure landscape that invites you to discover, to try and to wonder: there is a magic castle, a cheese mountain and more than 500 metres of secret underground passages.

### NEISSE-TOURS

- Tormersdorfer Allee 1, 02929 Rothenburg | phone +49 700 01 81 88 88
- [www.neisse-tours.de](http://www.neisse-tours.de)

» You can be sure to experience adventure and nature when going on a boat tour on the Neiße River. Whether you like an individual tour following quiet routes or one through the rapids – everything is possible on the border river.



## Enjoy Culture throughout the Year

### GERHART-HAUPTMANN-THEATRE GÖRLITZ-ZITTAU

- Demianiplatz 2 | phone +49 3581 47 47 47
- [www.g-h-t.de](http://www.g-h-t.de)

» The theatre unites a wide range of cultural offers in the fields of music theatre, play, concert and dance. The beautiful building of the Görlitz theatre – called the „Little Semper Operahouse“ – is home to music theatre with all its facets including opera, operetta and musical as well as the dance company and the New Lusatian Philharmonie, the region's only orchestra.

### RESTAURANT AND THEATRE VINO E CULTURA

- Untermarkt 2 | phone +49 3581 87 96 850
- [www.vinoecultura.de](http://www.vinoecultura.de)

» The little theatre on the top floor of the restaurant presents various chamber concerts as well as readings and theatre performances. Furthermore, there is a private permanent exhibition on Jakob Böhme showing some rare first editions as well as complete editions of his works.

### CULTURE BREWERY

- An der Landskronbrauerei 116 | phone +49 3581 4650
- [www.landskron.de/kulturbrauerei](http://www.landskron.de/kulturbrauerei)

» In addition to the Landskron beers, this brewery being one of the oldest still producing industrial monuments offers a wide range of cultural events to the visitor. No matter whether you enjoy a concert, a comedy show, a motto party a musical or a fair – any kind of event held in the historic halls will turn into a unique experience.

### COLD STORE

- Am Bahnhof Weinhübel 2 | phone +49 3581 42 99 26
- [www.kuehlhaus-goerlitz.de](http://www.kuehlhaus-goerlitz.de)

» On old industrial grounds, an alternative place for leisure and culture was and is being developed, presenting concerts and films, organizing markets and workshops.

### GALERIE BRÜDERSTRASSE

- Brüderstraße 9 | phone +49 3581 67 24 20
- Open: Mon to Fr 11.00 am - 6.00 pm, Sat 1.00 pm - 6.00 pm

» In alternating exhibitions, the gallery presents contemporary artistic production from the region and around the world: painting, graphic, photography, video, art installation and sculpture.

## Cinemas in the film city of Görlitz

### FILMPALAST GÖRLITZ

- Jakobstraße 16 | phone +49 3581 40 52 88
- [www.goerlitz.filmpalast-kino.de](http://www.goerlitz.filmpalast-kino.de)

### CAMILLO

- Handwerk 13 | phone +49 3581 66 19 20 | [www.camillokino.de](http://www.camillokino.de)

### OFFKINO KLAPPE DIE ZWEITE

- Nonnenstraße 18/19 | phone +49 3581 66 71 10
- [www.klappe-die-zweite.com](http://www.klappe-die-zweite.com)

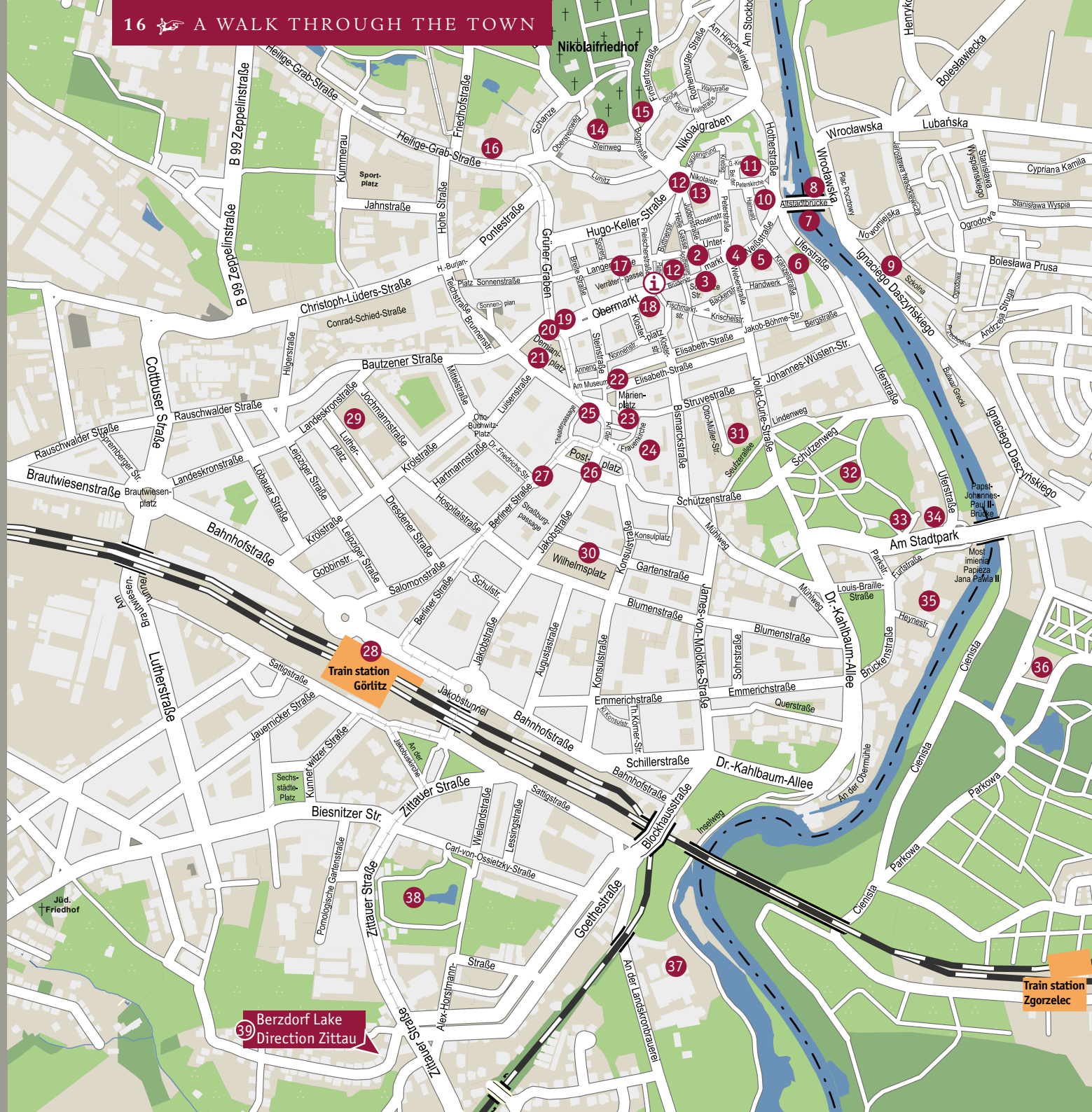
### KINO ZGORZELEC

- Armii Krajowej 52a, 59-900 Zgorzelec/PL | phone +48 75 671 14 10
- <https://multikino.pl/kino/zgorzelec>



# Discover Görlitz

- 1** **Görlitz Information Centre:** Obermarkt 32
- 2** **Untermarkt (Lower Market) with City Hall:** typical Görlitz hall houses and Whispering Arch
- 3** **Schönhof (Beautiful Court):** the oldest townhouse representing German Renaissance architecture; hall house and home of the Silesian Museum Görlitz
- 4** **Barockhaus (Baroque House) Neißstraße 30:** part of the Museum of History and Culture, accommodates historic library of the Upperlusatian Society of Sciences
- 5** **Biblisches Haus (Biblical House):** facade with scenes from the Old and the New Testament
- 6** **Ochsenzwinger (Ox Bastion):** attractive green between old city walls
- 7** **Old Town Bridge:** pedestrian bridge to Zgorzelec built in 2004
- 8** **Three-Wheels-Mill:** with bas-relief showing the Goddess Europe
- 9** **House of Jacob Böhme:** home of the famous Görlitz shoe-maker and theosophist (1575–1624)
- 10** **Woad House:** the oldest secular building in Görlitz and former storage site to store woad providing the blue dye for the cloth
- 11** **Kirche St. Peter und Paul (Church of St. Peter and Paul):** five-aisled hall church with baroque Sun Organ by Eugenio Casparini
- 12** **Nikolaiturm (St. Nicholas' Tower):** part of the old Görlitz city fortification and inhabited by a watchman until 1904
- 13** **Jüdisches Bad (Jewish Bath):** historical bath (Mikveh) in the cellar of the restaurant Destille
- 14** **Nikolaivorstadt (St. Nicholas' Suburb):** the oldest settlement of Görlitz and later the suburb housing the craftsmen
- 15** **St. Nicholas' Church and St. Nicholas' Cemetery**
- 16** **Holy Sepulchre with the Garden of Olives:** built in 1504, ever since then neither destroyed nor modified, therefore today almost closer to the original than the original itself
- 17** **Verrätergasse (Traitor's Lane):** reminds of the clothmakers of Görlitz failing in their plan to overthrow the city council in the year 1527



- 18** **Dreifaltigkeitskirche (Trinity Church):** abbey church of the Franciscan monks (1234 – 1245). The interior of the main hall belongs to the most precious works of art among the church and art treasures of Görlitz.
- 19** **Reichenbach Tower:** one of the city's guard towers, occupied until 1904
- 20** **Kaisertrutz:** part of the western city fortifications, today part of the Museum of History and Culture
- 21** **Gerhart-Hauptmann-Theatre Görlitz-Zittau:** due to its splendid interior, it is also called the „Little Semper Operahouse“
- 22** **Frauenturm (Ladies' Tower), also called „Fat Tower“**
- 23** **Art nouveau department store:** film location for the Hollywood film „The Grand Budapest Hotel“, reopening is planned
- 24** **Frauenkirche (Church of Our Lady)**
- 25** **Demiani Square:** gate to Wilhelminian architecture
- 26** **Post Square** with the „Muschelminna“ fountain“
- 27** **Berliner Straße:** city boulevard with art nouveau passage „Straßburgpassage“
- 28** **Train Station**
- 29** **Lutherkirche (Luther Church)**
- 30** **Wilhelmsplatz (Wilhelm's Square)**
- 31** **Former Jewish synagoge:** consecrated in 1911, shall be re-opened as a cultural forum in 2019
- 32** **Stadtpark (City Park):** landscape park with old trees, large lawns and a rose garden
- 33** **Meridianstein (Meridian stone):** marks the 15th meridian to determine the Central European Time
- 34** **Stadthalle (Event Hall):** art nouveau building erected to hold the Silesian Music Festivals (inaugurated in 1910), closed at the moment
- 35** **Hochschule Zittau/Görlitz:** University of Applied Sciences; campus
- 36** **Dom Kultury:** Municipal House of Culture in Zgorzelec
- 37** **Landskron BRAU-MANUFAKTUR (Landskron Brewery):** one of the oldest still producing industrial monuments in Germany, event location KULTurBRAUEREI
- 38** **Natural Reserve Zoo Görlitz-Zgorzelec**
- 39** **Berzdorfer See (Berzdorf Lake):** a lake for swimming, cycling, walking or just relaxing, covers an area of 960 hectares



## Be a guest at the Monuments

### SHOPPING

Stroll through the lanes in the Old Town with their little boutiques or artisan and antique shops, then saunter across the Obermarkt and along the Steinstraße and reach Demiani Square. This is where you find the bustling heart of Görlitz. Proceed to the majestic Post Square, the busy Berliner Straße and the alternative Jakobstraße which invite you to browse and shop. The Birkenstock Factory Outlet is located directly at the production site at Gewerbering.

### FEASTING

Culinary delights in Görlitz mostly go hand in hand with the experience of enjoying the very special atmosphere of the local restaurants. The Old Town restaurants with their authentic flair love to present their delicacies together with an additional pinch of romanticism. Furthermore, they often have backyards, where you can find cosy beer gardens. There is no doubt about the Schlesisches Himmelreich (Silesian Heaven) being the most famous local dish. But the choice offered on the menus is not just limited to classic Silesian or Bohemian dishes. There is a number of young, ambitious chefs who know very well how to surprise their guests with creations of finest cuisine and inventive variations of traditional dishes. There is an increasing offer for vegetarians and vegans, too.



### UNLIMITED TASTE

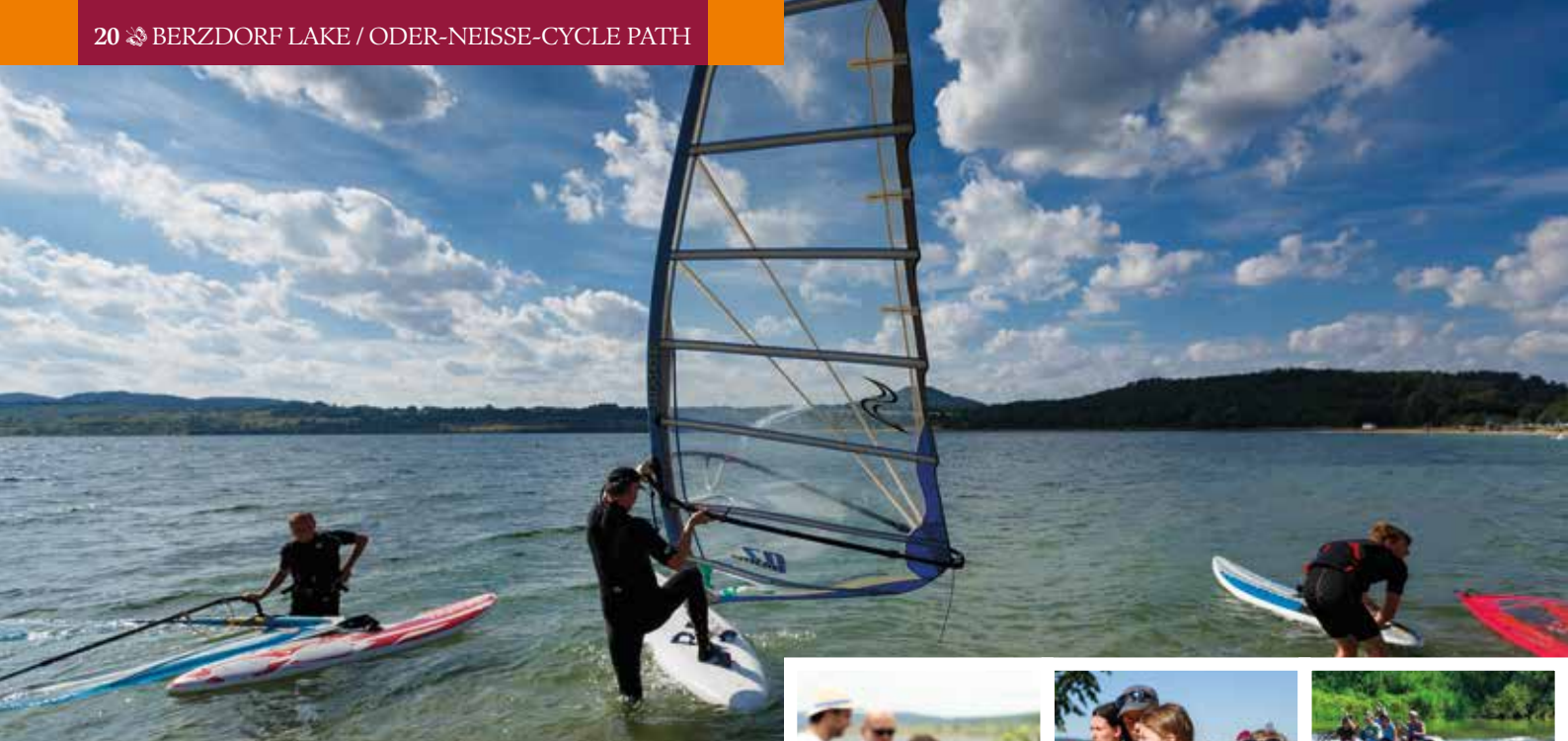
Real gourmets should not miss the chance to try the cuisine of two countries within one city. The numerous Zgorzelec inns and restaurants – some of them are located directly at the banks of the Neiße River – offer Polish specialties like borsch or pirogi with bacon – but you can order a delicious pizza as well. Bigos, the Polish national dish, is a must. It is a warm stew made of sauerkraut, white cabbage, mushrooms and different kinds of meat.

### LANDSKRON BREWERY

- An der Landskronbrauerei 116 | phone +49 3581 46 52 18
- [www.landskron.de/besuch](http://www.landskron.de/besuch)

» The tradition to brew beer behind these historic brick walls, according to the traditional methods and open, hand-guided fermentation has been existing here since 1869. Different tours introduce the art of brewing to you and are concluded with a rustic beer tasting.





## Listen to the Sound of the Waves in Görlitz

Out of a former recultivated lignite mining site, a paradise for water fans has been created within the past decade, located directly at the southern outskirts of Görlitz. The Berzdorf Lake covering an area of 1,000 hectares is 72 metres deep, and is not only the fifth-biggest lake in Saxony, but meanwhile, one of the most popular ones, too. This nature paradise convinces with its water quality and offers fantastic conditions to swimmers, surfers, sailors, as well as cyclists and skaters. In the future, more offers shall be developed and combined to create a unique experience all around the lake.



Active guests will find perfect conditions not only at the lake. Cyclists can choose among numerous routes, but the Oder-Neiße-cycle path is perhaps the most beautiful one. With a total length of more than 630 kilometres, it leads from the source of the Neiße River in Nová Ves in the Czech Republic up to Ahlbeck on the Island of Usedom at the Baltic Sea. Görlitz is one of the most popular stops along this route.

The Neiße River, the border river between Germany and Poland, is also a starting point for paddlers and canoeists. There are several piers all along the river, where you can rent dinghies for rafting, canoes or rowing boats for discovery tours daily from April to October.

» For further information, please see:  
[www.visit-goerlitz.com](http://www.visit-goerlitz.com)





## A European Encounter in the Twin City

**T**ourists travelling to Görlitz should include a visit to Zgorzelec as well. The smaller part of the city, situated at the eastern banks of the Neiße River, has been part of Poland since 1945. You should not miss the chance to go for a walk and visit two countries at the same time.

### TOURIST-INFORMATION | [www.zgorzelec.eu](http://www.zgorzelec.eu)

- Ulica Daszyńskiego 12, Zgorzelec/PL, phone +48 75 603 250 093
- Open: Mon - Fri 11.00 am - 6.00 pm, Sat/Sun 11.00 am - 7.00 pm

### JAKOB-BÖHME-HAUS (HOME OF JAKOB BÖHME)

- [www.muzeumluzyckie.pl](http://www.muzeumluzyckie.pl)
- Ulica Daszyńskiego 12, Zgorzelec/PL, phone +48 75 648 24 24
- Open: Mon to Fri 11.00 am - 6.00 pm, Sat/Sun 11.00 am - 7.00 pm

» The famous shoemaker and theosophist Jakob Böhme lived in this house for eleven years (1599-1610). The building accommodates a small permanent exhibition about his life and work. The tourist information centre of Zgorzelec is located here, too.

### DOM KULTURY (HOUSE OF CULTURE) | [www.mdk.zgorzelec.eu](http://www.mdk.zgorzelec.eu)

- Ulica Parkowa 1, Zgorzelec/PL, phone +48 75 775 24 15
- Open: Mon to Fri 2.00 am - 8.00 pm, Sat/Sun 12.00 am - 8.00 pm

» The former Upperlusatian Commemoration Hall was built between 1898 and 1902 as a mighty symbol of the unification of Germany and Upper Lusatia. In the past, the Kaiser-Friedrich-Museum (Emperor Friedrich Museum) was located here, housing numerous collections. After the Second World War, the Museum was liquidated. The building has been serving as a house of culture since 1948.

### MONUMENT STALAG VII A

- [www.fundacijacentrum.eu](http://www.fundacijacentrum.eu)
- Koźlice 1, Zgorzelec/PL, phone +48 75 640 86 12
- Open: Mon to Fri 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

» The former prisoner-of-war camp Stalag VIII A is located at the southeastern edge of Zgorzelec. 120, 000 prisoners were registered there between 1939 and 1945, among them the French composer Olivier Messiaen. During his imprisonment, he created his masterpiece "Quartet for the End of Time" and performed it for the first time on January 15, 1941, in the camp. Today, the European Centre for Education and Culture commemorates the history of the camp and organizes concerts, for example at the Meetingpoint Music Messiah.

### LAUSITZMUSEUM (LUSATIAN MUSEUM) | [www.muzeumluzyckie.pl](http://www.muzeumluzyckie.pl)

- Ulica Daszyńskiego 15, Zgorzelec/PL, phone +48 75 648 24 24
- Open: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 8.00 am - 4.00 pm, Wed 10.00 am - 6.00 pm

» The museum is dedicated to the history of Eastern Upper Lusatia focussing on Zgorzelec and its surroundings. You can have a look at the „Lusatian Room“ for example, showing items of daily use from the 18th and 19th centuries.

### MILLS NEAR THE OLD TOWN BRIDGE

- Ulica Wrocławska 1, Zgorzelec/PL

» There was a mill here already at the very beginnings of the city's history, called the Three-Wheels-Mill or hospital mill. The big storage building next to it, built in 1938, catches the visitor's eye particularly because of the huge bas-relief „WAZE“, which was created in 1998 by the artists Vahan Bego and Michał Bulak as an artistic image of united Europe. At the German banks, there is another mill, the Four-Wheels-Mill.



## Landscape of world-class Standard

The surroundings of the city upon the Neiße River – Upper Lusatia – have a lot to offer: visitors will find numerous gems and very special attractions. About 40 kilometres south of Görlitz, there is a low mountain range, which is the smallest one in Germany: the Zittauer Gebirge (Zittau Mountains), a hiking paradise with exciting rocks. On the Oybin Mountain, there is a castle of the same name built by Emperor Karl IV. in the 14th century to be his old-age residence. The typical houses of that area, the so-called Umgebinderhäuser, are a kind of block houses, some of them being very old, with a timber-framed house built over it.

Heading towards the West, the thousand year old city of Bautzen with its impressive Ortenburg Castle is well worth a visit. Together with the cities of Görlitz, Zittau, Löbau, Kamenz and Lauban (today Luban/ Poland), all of them situated along the Via Regia trade route, Bautzen founded the so-called Upperlusatian Six Towns' League. Once formed to be a defensi-



ve alliance against robber barons, the Six Towns' League today represents the wealth of 1,000 years of Upperlusatian history. There is a lot to discover, for example, the cast iron tower in Löbau, Lessing's – the great poet of German enlightenment - traces in Kamenz, Sorbian culture in Bautzen and the Lenten Veils in Zittau.

In Bad Muskau, north of Görlitz, there is the UNESCO World Heritage of Prince-Pückler-Park and Castle. In the first half of the 19th century, Hermann von Pückler created a perfect park idyll here. Not far from here, you find the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve of the Upperlusatian Heath and Pond Landscape covering an area of 30,000 hectares (core zone: 1,100 hectares). It is the only biosphere reserve in Saxony and one of the largest pond areas in Germany. The best way to discover it is on foot or by bike.





## Three in one Sweep

**G**örlitz is a perfect starting point for day trips to the neighbouring countries Poland and Czechia, for example to the picturesque mountain world of the Jizera Mountains (Isergebirge) and the Sudeten Mountains (Riesengebirge) with the Sniezka (Schneekoppe, 1,602 metres). The source of the Elbe River, situated in Czech Spindleruv Mlyn (Spindlermühle) at a height of almost 1,400 metres is another popular destination.

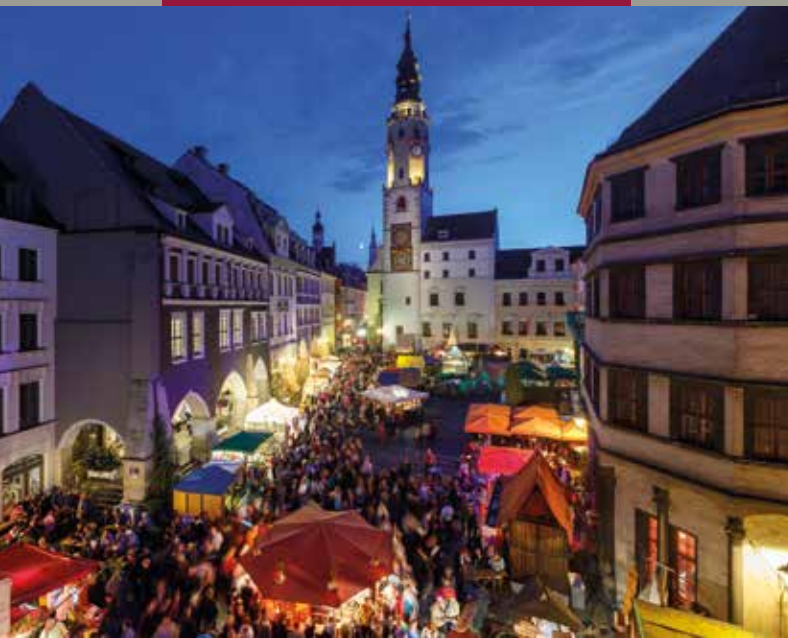
To those, who would rather like to enjoy the uncomparable view to the mighty mountains from below, we recommend the Hirschberg Valley (Hirschberger Tal) in Poland. With its more than 30 castles, it is a paradise for lovers of old residences and castles. Wallenstein's Castle Burg Frýdlant in North Bohemia is one of the most impressive fortresses in

the border triangle. It was built in the middle of the 13th century and is regarded as the oldest castle museum in Central Europe.

It is well worth going on a trip to Wrocław (Breslau), too. The historical capital of Lower Silesia is located just some 180 kilometres away from Görlitz and impresses the visitor with important architectural monuments like the gothic City Hall or St. Elisabeth's Church and an exciting city atmosphere.

**» Up-dated information on the day trips is available at the Görlitz Information Centre.**





# It's cultural Season throughout the Year

## SPRING

**Literature Festival at the Neiße River** | [www.literaturtage.eu](http://www.literaturtage.eu)

The German-Polish literature festival is held every two years.

**Jazz Days** | [www.jazztage-goerlitz.de](http://www.jazztage-goerlitz.de)

Experience different styles of jazz surrounded by historical backdrops.

**EuroFashion Award** | [www.euro-fashion-award.com](http://www.euro-fashion-award.com)

International fashion contest held at the Görlitz department store (every two years).

**Neiße Filmfestival** | [www.neissefilmfestival.de](http://www.neissefilmfestival.de)

Trinational Festival presenting more than 100 film plus comprehensive supporting programme.

**European Marathon** | [www.europamarathon.de](http://www.europamarathon.de)

A demanding race for various distances presenting the unique atmosphere of two countries.

**Landskron Brewery Festival** | [www.landskron.de](http://www.landskron.de)

The private Landskron Brewery invites its guests into the courtyard of the historical brewery.

## SUMMER

**Open-Air Summer Theatre** | [www.g-h-t.de](http://www.g-h-t.de)

Open-air theatre classics against great backdrops.

**Silesian Pottery Market** | [www.tippelmarkt.de](http://www.tippelmarkt.de)

Silesian way of life and tradition offered by potters from all over Germany.

**International Street Theatre Festival ViaThea** | [www.viathea.de](http://www.viathea.de)

Görlitz turns into an open-air stage presenting renowned international theatre groups.

**Görlitz Lake Festival** | [www.visit-goerlitz.com](http://www.visit-goerlitz.com)

Companies and clubs invite their visitors to enjoy sport, music and delicious food around the Berzdorf Lake at the outskirts of the city.

**Görlitz Old Town Festival** | [www.altstadtfest-goerlitz.com](http://www.altstadtfest-goerlitz.com)

For three days, the Old Town of Görlitz as well as a part of Zgorzelec turn into a historic medieval spectacle.

## AUTUMN

**Zoo Festival** | [www.tierpark-goerlitz.de](http://www.tierpark-goerlitz.de)

The little Zoo invites its guests: enjoy animal presentations, play, sport and food.

**Patrimonium Gorelicense (Day of the Open Monument)**

[www.visit-goerlitz.com](http://www.visit-goerlitz.com)

Experience and enter architectural monuments in Görlitz which are usually closed to the public.

**Bach Week** | [www.visit-goerlitz.com](http://www.visit-goerlitz.com)

Held every two years: Bach concerts and readings at St. Peter's Church, the Church to Our Lady and the Church Kreuzkirche.

## WINTER

**Ice Rink** | [www.schlesischer-christkindelmarkt-goerlitz.de](http://www.schlesischer-christkindelmarkt-goerlitz.de)

Surrounded by the romantic backdrop of the Obermarkt, small and tall ice-skaters can do their laps.

**Silesian Christmas Market Görlitz**

[www.schlesischer-christkindelmarkt-goerlitz.de](http://www.schlesischer-christkindelmarkt-goerlitz.de)

Artisans, dealers and caterers present goods and specialties from Silesia, Saxony, Poland and Bohemia.

**Messiaen Days** | [www.festival-music-messiaen.net](http://www.festival-music-messiaen.net)

Every year, concerts are held to commemorate the composer Olivier Messiaen and the first performance of his work "Quartet for the End of Time".

» For up-dated information, please check the calendar of events under [www.visit-goerlitz.com](http://www.visit-goerlitz.com)

## Görlitz information and tourist service:

- Tourist information
- Booking of hotels and accommodation
- Classic and special guided city tours and day trips
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## Travel Offer: Görlitz - A Journey through Time

- 2 overnight stays/breakfast at a Görlitz middle-class hotel
- On the arrival day, dinner (3-course menu) at a traditional local restaurant in the Old Town of Görlitz
- Entrance to the Holy Sepulchre
- Relaxing stop-off at one of the historical cafés in the Old Town
- Comprehensive information material and Görlitz travel guides

**DATES:** throughout the year on request – subject to availability

**PRICES:** double room at hotel from 129.00 Euros p.p.  
single supplement from 50.00 Euros

Please check the days and times for public city tours on [www.visit-goerlitz.com](http://www.visit-goerlitz.com)

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