

Bautzen Is An Ancient Town Of Indescribable Charm

Bautzen has what it takes to entice you to stay longer than you intended. So come prepared for that.

This thousand year old town will amaze you with its quite dignity and sheer breadth of historical features. There's no way you'll forget this fact as your gaze rests on imposing towers and turrets any which way you care to look. There's plenty to view and admire.

The *Fleischmarkt* is indeed a good place to begin. Right at the center of attraction you'll find the imposing tower of the Cathedral.

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Close by are other architectural gems such as the monument to Elector Johann Georg I and the chapterhouse of the Cathedral. You'll love the quaint sculptures and fountains that adorn the vicinity. Of course, those are photo-ops awaiting the eager traveler.

The Old Water Tower of Bautzen dating back to the 16th century is another great draw for visitors to the town. Crane your neck back to get a good look at this representation of a glorious past. At present it houses the Museum of Technology. You can't but help wonder at the vagaries of time. Compare it with the New Water Tower built by the descendant of the builder of the former.

For a taste of what it was really like before modern town planning dictated terms, stroll over to the Burgstadt. Along *An der Petrikirche* and *Schlossstraße* you'll see the venerable House of Estates and the Castle Pharmacy. In Burgstadt you'll witness the timelessness of history and the chaotic beauty of unregulated building.

Bautzen has plenty more to offer. Take a trip along the Peace Bridge, or ponder the ruins of the Monk's Church, St. Nicholas' Church, and the majestic Schloss Ortenburg, or gawk stupefied at the view from the observation deck of the Schoolboy's Tower.