



Minden Museum, Ritterstraße

For those wishing to discover Minden's history and the "Glacis" Park along the River Weser, we recommend the **Old-Town-Route** (red marked) and the **Weser-Path** (green marked). Experience the Old-Town-Route on the Minden Beacon Mile.



New in Minden:
Germany's first
Beacon Mile!

Old-Town-Route

- A** Cathedral + Minden Cathedral Treasury
- B** Town Hall
- C** Schmieding House (figures min+din)
- D** Löwenapotheke "Kaufhaus", "Hofvierteil" storage houses
- E** by Martini Stairs to Historic Upper Old Town, St. Martin's Churchyard with St. Martin's Church
- F** Former provisions store, army bakery, "Alte Münze" restaurant
- G** Minden Museum (museum row)
- H** "Schnurrviertel"
- I** Hansa House, "Windloch" back to the Old Market Place by Martini Stairs
- J** "Haus Hagemeyer" (Weserrenaissance)
- K** "Haus Bäckerstraße 45" (Weserrenaiss.)
- L** Civic Arts Centre with St. John's Church and Churchyard
- M** City Entrance "Tränke" (underpass for pedestrians and bicycles)
- N** Ship Mill

Weser-Path

- A** Sightseeing Cruises Landing (Mindener Fahrgastsschiffahrt)
- B** Former Water Level House, High Water Level Mark
- C** Pedestrian Bridge (Glacisbrücke), "Jupiter" of the Planet Path
- D** Ship Mill
- E** "Amphitheatre"
- F** Former Officer's Mess "Prinz Friedrich"
- G** Swan-Pond (Remains of Former Fortress Walls)
- H** Former Government Building with "Manzel-Fountain"
- I** "Great Elector" Monument
- J** Old Fishermen's Village (part of town near the River Weser with fortified walls)
- K** "Saturn" of the Planet Path
- L** Schlagde



Weserauentunnel
Richtung Porta Westfalica +
Kaiser-Wilhelm-Denkmal
Johannes Wesling hospital



Admire and enjoy:

Minden Museum | Ritterstraße 23-33
Tel.: +49 571 9724020 | Tue-Sun 12-18 h
Museum of Prussian History | Simeonsplatz 12
Info and reservation Tel.: +49 571 837280
Ship Mill | Weserpromenade 24 | April- October, Tue-Sun 11-18 h
Info and reservation Tel.: +49 571 8290659
Minden Cathedral Treasury | Kleiner Domhof
Info and reservation Tel.: +49 571 83764119
Mindener Fahrgastschiffahrt (Sightseeing Cruises) | Sympherstr. 16
April-October | Info and reservation Tel.: +49 571 6480800
additional landing at Weser-Promenade

and parking places are available

Guided Tours:

Discover Minden's past on a walk through the town with our experienced guides. You'll see traditional half-timbered houses in the upper Old Town, classical Prussian and Weser Renaissance buildings, the town hall with Westphalia's oldest gothic arcade and our 1,000-year-old cathedral – the symbol of this former diocesan town. Impressive buildings, charming houses and romantic hidden corners with idyllic lanes are all waiting to be discovered.

Group tours are available at any time with prior arrangement (in english, dutch, french, danish and russian).

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We organize daily programs for groups and package tours for the weekend. Please contact us for information and our latest offers!



Welcome to "digital Minden"!



Enter the digital world of Minden by the help of QR-codes within the pavement of the inner-city. Minden was the first city in Germany that integrated **QR-codes in the paving** in front of our sights.

Use the **free city Wi-Fi** and get informed about all offers with our smartphone-compatible website (www.minden-erleben.de) or download the **free "Minden APP"** for both Android- and iOS-phones.

Find the best clothing offers and the most homelike restaurants in the shopping area or make your way to a delicious German beer!

NEW! Discover the historical Minden all by yourself with your smartphone: Experiencing the Old-Town-Route on Germany's first **Beacon Mile...**
Getting started: Download the APP from the Google Playstore or from the App-Store and turn on Bluetooth on your mobile. As soon as you take the first step on the Old-Town-Route (which is fully covered from the free Wi-Fi), you will receive push notifications with information on the specific sight directly onto your smartphone!

Experience the Old-Town-Route (see map extract overleaf) easily with your smartphone! Just scan the QR-code and download the free Minden APP.

We wish you a good time in Minden.

Your Minden Marketing team



Visit Minden virtually with our 360° tour and experience the historic sights from home.
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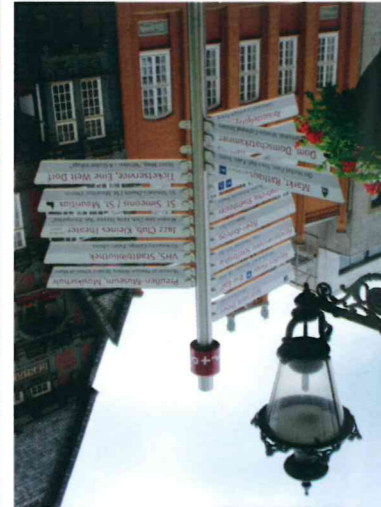


Experience Minden...
City Map + Tips



Minden: worth knowing

- 798 First written mention of Minden in the Frankish Imperial Annals
- c. 800 Charlemagne founds the diocese of Minden
- 977 Kaiser Otto II awards Bishop Milo of Minden market, coining and tax rights
- 1168 "Mindener Fürstenhochzeit": Matilda of England marries Duke Henry the Lion in the cathedral of Minden
- c. 1230 Minden's citizens and their council begin trading independently of the bishop, their town and county sovereign
- 1530 The council decrees a Protestant Church Order
- 1552 Minden receives the right to free shipping on the River Weser from Kaiser Karl V
- 1627 Kaiser Ferdinand II awards the town "Stapelrecht" (storage rights): every transport of grain and timber on the Weser has to stop in Minden, where the goods are then offered for sale
- 1634 During the 30 Years War, Swedish troops occupy Minden and stay until 1650. Prior to this, the town had been occupied by imperial troops since 1625
- 1648 As part of the Peace of Westphalia, the town and cathedral chapter are awarded to the Elector of Brandenburg
- 1723 Minden becomes a Prussian administrative centre for the provinces Minden, Ravensberg, Tecklenburg and Lingen
- 1759 At the Battle of Minden, Duke Ferdinand of Brunswick leads a coalition army (England, Hanover, Brunswick, Schaumburg-Lippe and Prussia) to victory over French and Saxon troops
- 1806 Minden is occupied by French troops and awarded to the Kingdom of Westphalia
- 1810 Minden belongs to the French Empire
- 1813 Minden is recaptured by Prussian troops and receives fortifications
- 1816 Establishment of the Prussian administrative district of Minden
- 1847 Opening of the Cologne-Minden railway
- 1873 The town's fortified defences are abolished
- 1915/16 The Mittelland Canal and its crossing point with the River Weser connect Minden with Germany's inland navigation system
- 1938 Minden's synagogue is destroyed during the so-called Pogrom Night
- 1943 - 1945 Air raids destroy parts of Minden's Old Town, including the cathedral and town hall
- 1947 The district administrative centre is moved from Minden to Detmold
- 1973 Municipality reform: with the addition of 13 boroughs and 4 communities, Minden's population swells from 54,000 to 85,000
- 1998 Celebrations "1200 Years Minden"
- 2009 Celebrations "250th Anniversary Battle of Minden"
- 2015 Digital Minden: free city Wi-Fi, first Beacon Mile in Europe
- 2018 850th anniversary: "Mindener Fürstenhochzeit"



The signs and the columns guide you to all the sights.

- 26 Minden Jazz Club
- 27 Little Theatre "Am Weingarten"
- 28 Public Library and Community
- 29 College Minden
- 30 Community Theatre
- 31 Civic Arts Centre with Meeting Point St. John's Churchyard
- 32 Camping Site "Am Hahler Hafen"
- 33 "Schachtschleuse"
- 34 Minden Municipal Archives
- 35 "potts park" (leisure park)
- 36 "Weserpromenade"
- 37 Ship Mill
- 38 Kampa-Halle (with indoor swimming pool)
- 39 Minden School of Music

- 16 Fort C (Former Prussian Fortress)
- 17 Botanical Garden/Historic Cemetery
- 18 Historic Train Station
- 19 Canal Lock "Schachtschleuse"
- 20 Wesserschleuse
- 21 Tickets/Bistro Sightseeing Cruises
- 22 Waterway Crossing
- 23 St. Simeon's/St. Mauritius' Church
- 24 Petri's Church
- 25 "Haus Hagemeyer" (Weser Renaissance)
- 26 "Haus Bäckerstraße 45" (Weserren.)
- 27 Museum of Prussian History
- 28 Former Provision Store + Army Bakery
- 29 Former Garrison Hospital
- 30 Railway Station/Bicycle Station

Places in Minden

At Schmieding House, market square, you can watch the figures "min+din" at 9:30 h, 12:30 h, 15:30 h and 19:30 h



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all information without liability

- 1 Lindgart Hotel
- 2 Victoria Hotel
- 3 Hotel Exquisit
- 4 Hotel Kronprinz, garni
- 5 Hotel Altes Gasthaus Grotehof
- 6 Hotel Bad Minden
- 7 Hotel Zum Kühlen Grunde
- 8 Hotel Zur Stemmer Post
- 9 Hotel Silke, garni
- 10 Hotel Marbella, garni
- 11 Hotel Zur Alten Bäckerei, garni
- 12 Hotel "FairSchlafen", garni

Accommodation in Minden

Hotels: Inns: