

## Emperor Otto the Great, Martin Luther, Garden Dreams and modern architecture -Magdeburg is worth a visit

With more than 1.200 years Magdeburg is one of the oldest cities in East Germany. The moving past as imperial residence, Hanseatic City and Prussian fortress has left its marks. No wonder that more and more tourists choose Magdeburg for their city trip.

In its history the city has been destroyed three times which had created architectural gaps. But the rediscovery, reconstruction and care of cultural heritage are proceeding rapidly. The development of the river Elbe as living space for the inhabitants turns Magdeburg into one of the most dynamic German cities.

There are many reasons to visit Magdeburg. One of them is the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in 2017. The main sites, such as the Luther Town Wittenberg, will then be overcrowded. In Magdeburg you can follow the steps of the young Martin Luther who spent his school time here. Twice he preached in Magdeburg in 1524 and made a profound impression. Thus, the courageous city was one of the first to follow the Reformation. Until today there are hardly Catholics among the inhabitants.

The four stars hotel Ratswaage in the city center of Magdeburg has dedicated Martin Luther an own brochure with bookable packages for individual travelers and groups. Follow the course of history step by step starting at the hotel and in the evening enjoy a historical Luther meal in three courses in the hotel restaurant.

Nearly no German town presents so many green places, gardens and parks. A cycling tour along the river Elbe is an experience for active tourists and nature lovers. Take an excursion boat to Europe's biggest water cross junction or find relaxation in the "Elbauenpark". For families the park offers a whole day between flowers, playgrounds and restaurants.

The over 800 years old gothic cathedral with the tomb of Otto the Great, the architecture project of Friedensreich Hundertwasser, modern art in the Monastery Our Dear Ladies or old fortifications - these are reasons to go to a place you have never been before. Get to know us and you will be surprised!