





# The port of SHORT WAYS





There's no nicer way to arrive in Germany. Warnemünde is one of the loveliest harbors and vacation spots.



Rostock-Warnemünde is the shooting star of northern European cruise-ship harbors. Since 2005 the Baltic port of the Hanseatic City of Rostock is the most frequented German cruise port. 138 port calls by 37 different cruise ships with a total passenger volume of more than 140,000 international guests in 2006 were the most successful cruise figures to date in Rostock-Warnemünde and any other German port. The advantages: the harbor approach is as short as the walk from the passengers' quay into town. And there is no harbor that offers such fast access to Berlin and to Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, northern Germany's top holiday destination.



►► Rostock-Warnemünde: Idyllic fishing village, elegant seaside resort



There are street cafés all over Warnemünde.

Nearly every restaurant has freshly-caught fish on offer.

Beer has been brewed here - and drunk with relish – for 700 years. There were once 300 breweries in town!

Many a yachtsman holds this hospitable harbor in high regard.

#### There are three things that make Rostock-Warnemünde particularly attractive for Baltic cruise passengers:

They can get off the ship and directly onto a special train or modern bus to Berlin; alternatively, they can experience a number of historical highlights of German culture within a distance of two hours by bus; and they can discover this charming harbor town, which is rich in culture, comfortably on foot. It's hardly more than a few steps into the pulsating heart of Warnemünde. With the squawking of seagulls and the ringing of ships' bells, cutters rocking on the waves and the smell of freshly smoked fish, narrow lanes and attractive captains'

houses, cosy sailors' pubs and typical German beer pubs - round about the lighthouse and harbor mole, the A delightful town has maintained 700 years of tradition as a fishing village.

At the same time, the town is one of the most fashionable seaside resorts on the Baltic, with its fine restaurants and bars, its many street cafés and shops, its snow-white villas from the Kaiser's time and chic vacht harbor. Warnemünde has, above all, its wide beach with its fine, white sand to thank for its meteoric career as one of Europe's great summer resorts. This sunny town

corner of Germany It's worth going ashore Already on the quay you'll experience Germany's proud and beautiful North



Many an exhilarating sailing trip starts out in Warnemünde's yacht harbor.

Warnemünde's fabulous beach: a breath of the South Pacific on the Baltic.

The astronomical clock has been ticking for over 500 years.

There's a maritime atmosphere to this harbor town on the sea.

### World-class sailing venue

has been making a name for itself as a world-class sailing venue. Entire sailing dynasties and several Olympic gold-medalists call Warnemünde their home. Every July over 2,000 yachtsmen and -women from more than 20 countries compete for international and European-Cup points at the prestigious "Warnemünde Week". The "sea of sails" is enough to impress even the most widely-traveled globetrotter. The new yacht harbor was completed in 2005 – and with its 800 moorings it is the largest yacht harbor on the Baltic.

Just 15 kilometers away is the center of historic Rostock. The first thing to strike visitors' eyes are

soaring church towers – Gothic giants that have formed the town's silhouette since the Middle Ages. The 117-meter tall St. Peter's was at the time one of the tallest buildings in the world. Built of brick – combined with pioneering spirit and courage – these "red giants" were the most intricate and expensive buildings of their day. Those who installed the astronomical clock in St. Mary's in 1472 – which is valid up to the year 2017 – clearly went about their work with boundless optimism. The people of Rostock, who had become rich through trade, also founded northern Europe's first university in 1419. And for some time they would continue to own the largest

#### Colorful festivities with a local touch Magnificent regattas and yachting gatherings, markets rich in tradition, historical parades and atmospheric concerts





are always an experience.

Brick Gothic: a hallmark of Rostock since the Middle Ages.

fleet on the Baltic. Right up to the present day they're still building the most modern of ships. Und for over 700 years they have been brewing excellent German beer.

This grand chapter of European cultural history, which visitors can still experience directly, has been augmented in our day with expansive pedestrian zones containing modern shopping arcades, cafés, restaurants, galleries and museums.

One of the cultural highlights on the streets, squares and beaches of Rostock and Warnemünde is the annual Whitsun fair in the spring, which has been taking place since the year 1390. This is followed in June by several civic fairs and festivities, as well as a jazz festival. In July it is above all various beach parties and regattas that bring visitors into town. Summer closes in August and September with an arts festival, a kite festival, a fish festival and further maritime events. The highpoint of the season is marked by the "Hansa Sail", which takes place every year on the second weekend of August. This magnificent gathering of traditional sailing ships and windjammers is among the largest of its kind in the world. Sailors from all corners of the globe provide over a million visitors with a rare and delightful spectacle. And on land, there is much more than just the romance of a maritime atmosphere - it's the region's largest party, with music and culture, fairs and markets, fireworks red-brick and discos.

Rostock and Warnemünde offer in addition to all this a variety of entertainment and leisure-time facilities. Particularly worthy of mention are the area's first-class wellness facilities. In addition, the region offers excellent opportunities for bicycling, horseback riding, tennis and golf.

Soaring heights

### Eventful shore EXCURSIONS





Local highlights: the monastery church in Bad Doberan and the town hall in Stralsund

Numerous attractive tours are on offer for the surrounding area (within a one to two-hour bus ride), taking visitors through enchanting old countryside. This region, which looks back on a thousand years of memorable history, is among the most popular vacation destinations for Germans. It goes without saying that the palaces and mansions of the former dukes are on the program of several tours, among them the Renaissance palace and the ancient cathedral in Güstrow.

Queen Sophie Charlotte (1744-1818), wife of King George III, was from the dynasty that ruled here until 1918, the dukes of Mecklenburg. Sophie Charlotte enjoyed great popularity, and German settlers in North Carolina named the town of Charlotte after this princess of Mecklenburg-Strelitz. They also gave their county the name Mecklenburg. And the distinctive bird-of-paradise flower, originally of South-African origin, received the Latin name strelitzia reginae in her honor. Today it is the official flower of the City of Los Angeles.

Heiligendamm is one of the most enchanting summer residences of the former rulers. Founded in 1793 as the very first German seaside resort, it was soon viewed as the hub of European nobility. Admiral Nelson stayed here, and the family of the Russian Czar and many other

crowned heads spent splendid summers in this idyllic setting. Today the snow-white palace, which has been restored to perfection in the original classical style, contains one of Germany's most luxurious hotels.

Another local institution stemming from the early days of the resort is the "Molli", a small, puffing steam locomotive. In ancient carriages it brings visitors to neighboring Bad Doberan, which is perhaps most famous for its overwhelmingly massive and yet completely harmonious monastery church. Experts in the field of architecture consider this church, which was completed in 1364, to represent the pinnacle of the northern European architectural style known as Brick Gothic. Many a sovereign prince found his last resting place in its bright basilica.

Monumental cathedrals, ducal palaces and old farmers' cottages



Several old mills stil turn in the wind as they always have. Germany's oldest seaside resort: Heiligendamm's enchanting white temple by the sea. Art lovers will meet Ernst Barlach and many other old acquaintances in and around Rostock.

This ducal palace is considered to be the most important example of European historicism.

Hundreds of castles, palaces and churches bear witness to the history of our land.

Nowhere can one better admire the treasures amassed by the dukes of Mecklenburg from 1167 to 1918 than in the state capital, Schwerin. The art museum here is home to one of the most valuable collections of paintings from the "Golden Age" of the Dutch and Flemish masters. You will find here works by Rubens, Rembrandt, Carel Fabritius and Frans Hals, among others. In addition, there is the world's largest Marcel Duchamps collection, as well as works by Lucas Cranach, Albrecht Dürer, Caspar David Friedrich, Jean Baptiste Oudry, Max Liebermann, Lovis Corinth, Erich Heckel, Emil Nolde, Max Pechstein and Pablo Picasso.

The magnificent focal point of this fascinating town – and indeed of the entire state – is the fairytale-like Schwerin Castle. Located on a small island in Schwerin Lake, it is at the same time massive and delicately ornamental, the "Neuschwanstein of the North". One can visit, among other things, the throne room and the gallery of ancestral portraits in this multi-towered palace with the golden roofs.

In contrast, the museum village Klockenhagen keeps alive memories of the day-to-day lives of ordinary people (hundreds of thousands of whom emigrated to America in the 19th century). Between a tiny village

A rich and royal history

In the footsteps of the emigrants
Old villages and powerful Hanseatic towns,
graceful landscapes and images full of yearning



Local residents maintain their traditions with much dedication and energy.



Many houses in the region are still roofed with reeds, a tradition that has lasted for generations.



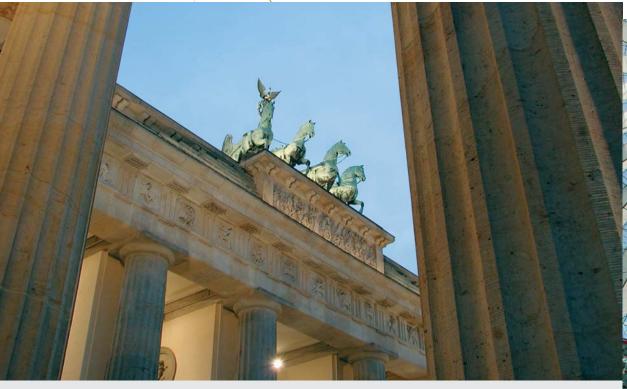
The UNESCO World Heritage church and a crooked windmill, right in the middle of thatched-roof farm houses, ancient barns and restored stalls you'll find yourself in a colorful farmer's and herbal garden along with geese, chickens, pigs and horses. On certain days bread is baked as it was in the old days, and music is played on old instruments. And of course, the restaurant's menu features mostly local specialties.

The main visitors' attraction in Ribnitz-Damgarten is the local amber museum, which houses Germany's most important collection of amber. In addition to a presentation of how amber was formed and how it is collected, the museum contains a collection of so-called "inclusions" - insects and plants trapped in amber, some of which are over 50 million years old. A workshop in the exhibit offers demonstrations and also gives visitors the opportunity to create their own piece of amber jewelry. The Hanseatic cities of Wismar and Stralsund are also well worth a visit. The UNESCO placed them on the World Heritage List in 2002, as ideal representatives of the heyday of the Hanseatic League in the 14th century. Both towns have maintained their medieval street network almost unchanged right up to the present day. And in addition, they possess hundreds of individual historical monuments. The six monumental brick churches represent a unique cross-section of highly influential northern European religious architecture.

Between the destination points on these tours visitors experience a graceful, slightly undulating countryside with tranquil villages, beautiful tree-lined avenues, waving fields and deep forests. The landscape could have been made-to-order for Snow White and the Seven Dwarves or for the brush of German romantic painter Caspar David Friedrich. Much of what you see here still looks like on his paintings, which at one time made his homeland known all over the world. Later it was, among others, Lyonel Feininger who painted this coast and its old towns again and again. He ended up spending two dozen happy summers here.

## Just two hours to BERLIN







Magnificent and world-famous: the Brandenburg Gate is Berlin's greatest landmark. Since its reopening in 1989, it has also been a symbol of German reunification.

The Sony Center on Potsdamer Platz is one of Berlin's new palaces.

How about taking a day-trip from Rostock to nearby Berlin? If it weren't for a few remaining parts of the Wall and the famous crossing point Checkpoint Charlie, one would hardly believe that, until 1989, this exuberant and fascinating metropolis was divided by the Iron Curtain.

### Germany's reunited capital offers an unrivalled number and variety of sights and events:

A turbulent history and an exciting present, classicism and avant garde, Kaisers' palaces and modern-age glass palaces, the Brandenburg Gate and the 365-meter high television tower, the Potsdamer Platz and the Culture Forum and ancient Egyptian treasures, Kurfürstendamm and Friedrichstrasse, idyllic beer gardens and noble gourmet restaurants, shopping centers and the National Gallery, Bertolt Brecht's Ensemble and the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra. A view of this metropolis that never sleeps is to be had from the Reichstag with its famous glass dome by star architect Sir Norman Forster. Today Reichstag is the seat of the German Parliament.

Berlin is exciting. Berlin pulsates. Berlin has tempo and character.

Buildings exhibiting classical harmony or modern austerity are home to over 170 museums, where you will meet Beuys and Nofretete, Rembrandt and Picasso, Warhol and Kandinski. Europe's largest revue theatre, renowned opera houses, theatres and concert halls, world-famous orchestras, magnificent directors and celebrated conductors, musicals and cabarets, raucous and no-frills productions, drama and comedy — there's something for everyone and every taste in Berlin. Speaking of which, Berlin's cuisine is as diverse as it gets. After decades of division the city is suddenly right in the middle of Europe once again — and right in

Enlightening and electrifying: A side trip to the German capital



The Jewish Museum is one of Berlin's most popular new cultural attractions.

The German capital is also a European cultural metropolis.

Checkpoint Charlie keeps the memory of the Iron Curtain alive.

Restored and reconstructed buildings bear witness to Berlin's past.

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the middle of a re-awakening. Berlin will captivate you and sweep you off your feet.

Nothing stands in the way of visiting any other German city as well. Baroque Dresden, Bavarian Munich or, close to Berlin, Potsdam. The Schloss Sanssouci palace located in the park to which it gives its name Potsdam's most popular sight. However, there are far more than the former summer residency of Frederick the Great and the Sanssouci park: the Alexandrowka, the Holländisches Viertel (the Dutch quarter) and the Weaver's quarter – the historic sections of the city – provide the flair of a city steeped in European tradition.

Internationally experienced incoming agencies charter helicopters and airplanes, vans and limousines. They also offer individual programs that leave no wish unfulfilled. Most trips are taken in air-conditioned buses or trains. Groups are of course accompanied by knowledgeable, charming, English-speaking guides and hostesses. They provide their passengers with the highest quality service so that the latter can enjoy their excursion without stress. They guarantee security and punctuality. And they'll find a thoughtful solution for any problems that might come up.



#### QUALITY, SERVICE AND SECURITY

Come to where the future is, come to Rostock Port. Renowned cruise ship companies have come to value Rostock-Warnemünde as a high-quality, atmospheric, inexpensive and secure harbor. The stop-over and turn-around calls begin with dependable service right from the start, including an exceptionally fast harbor approach and a smooth pilotage.

The passengers' quay offers three berths (up to 300 meters long and 8.38 meters draft). Additional ones are available at the neighboring commercial harbor.

Already there are parking places, taxis and shuttle services right next to the passengers' quay. And within 500 meters visitors will find tourist information, places to exchange money, a post office, a car rental agency and the train station. No other German passenger harbor possesses such a direct rail connection. The hinterland link is also one of the great advantages of the Warnemünde harbor. Through a short tunnel it is just four kilometers from the German Autobahn network. The trip to Berlin takes about 2 hours by train or bus. It's just 30 minutes to the local airport and 20 minutes to the center of Rostock. The seaside resort Warnemünde begins directly behind the quay. The entire process of waste disposal and supplying the ship is possible on a single day. Should

it become necessary, there is sufficient capacity present for undertaking repairs to the ship and/or its engine.

A modern passengers' terminal, the Warnemünde Cruise Center, was opened in 2005. It comfortably allows 2,500 passengers to disembark daily - and just as many to re-embark on the same day. Together with the entire complex, this new building of course guarantees ISPS security standards. Despite all the requirements associated with this standard, the building is transparent and attractive for cruise passengers and crew members. In spite of the necessary investment involved, harbor fees remain moderate.

#### **TERMINAL DATA**

Harbor: Open 24 hrs.

Max. Ship Dimensions for Berth

Length:

2 m up to 8.38 m Draft:

(27′06′′) Air draft: no restrictions

Anchorage

Available: Shuttle Service: possible

allowed:

Pilotage

Tugs available: Tidal movement/

range:

#### Accomodation

Ship stay

Number of quays: Total quay length: Passenger terminal: yes

#### Services

Bunkering

(all grades of fuel): Garbage disposal: Fresh water at quay: yes

#### **Distances**

Warnemünde 0.5 km Local Airport: 40 km **International Airports** (Hamburg & Berlin): 200 km

#### Pier/Pier Area

Tourist information: yes, on-site Bank: yes, 0.5 km Public phones: yes, on-site yes, 0.5 km Restaurants/Bars: yes, 0.5 km Shuttle Services: Taxies: yes, on-site Public toilets: yes, on-site Post office: yes, 0.5 km





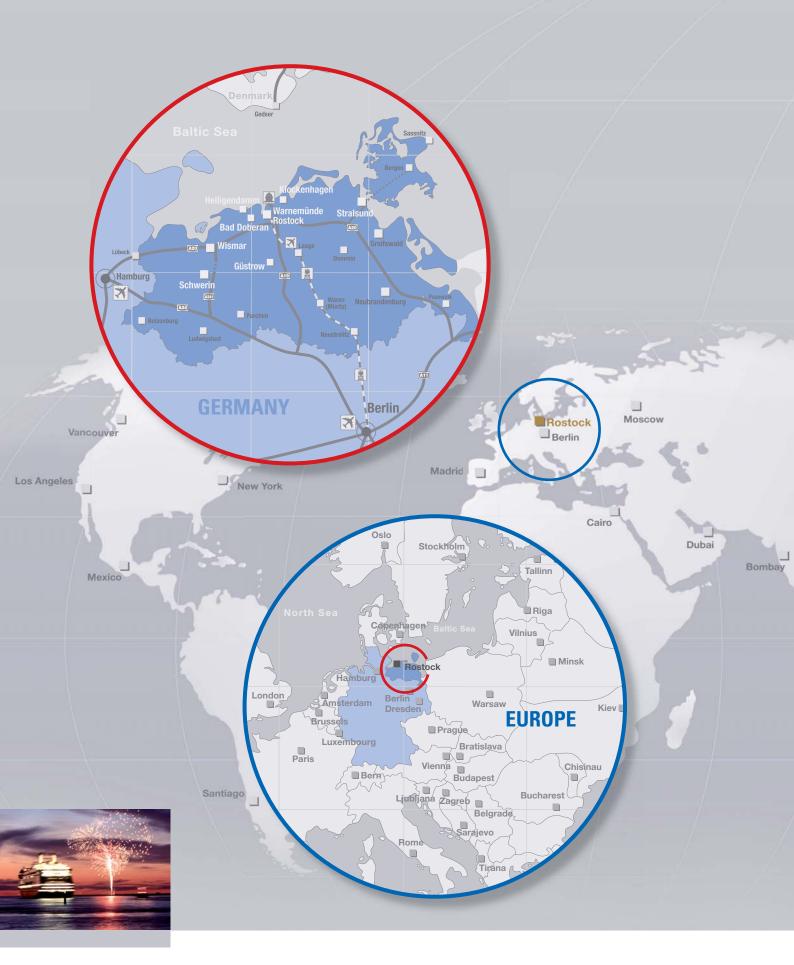
The new passengers' terminal provides for the disembarkation and embarkation of 2,500 passengers a day.



Visitors receive a warm welcome from local residents.

Previous stop-over calls >> Carnival Corporation (Holland America Line, Cunard Line, P&O, Princess Cruises) with the Noordam, Oosterdam, Rotterdam, Westerdam, Prinsendam, Amsterdam, Caronia, Queen Elizabeth II, Aurora, Arcadia, Oriana, Grand Princess and Star Princess >> Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. and Celebrity Cruises with the Jewel of the Seas, Constellation and Millennium ▶ Radisson Seven Seas with the Seven Seas Voyager and Song of Flower ▶► Crystal Cruises with the Crystal Symphony ▶► Norwegian Cruise Line with the Norwegian Dream and Norwegian Jewel ▶► Seabourn Cruise Line with the Seabourn Pride ▶► Oceania Cruises with the Regatta and Insignia >> Fred Olsen Cruise Line with the Black Watch and Braemar >> Hapag Lloyd with the Europa ▶► MSC with the Rapsody to name but a few

Previous turn-around calls ▶► AIDA Cruises with AIDAcara, AIDAblu and AIDAaura ▶► Norwegian Cruise Line with the Marco Polo ▶► Club Cruises with the Albatros ▶► Holiday Cruises with the Lili Marleen and Mona Lisa to name but a few



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