

# DRESDEN TOUR



8 to 10 hours



Private driver, car  
& expert guide



## Dresden Altstadt

Stradling the banks of the Elbe, this German city of soaring spires and stunning Baroque domes strikes a breathtaking silhouette from the river's north shore. Walk through the old city center starting out at the Taschenberg Palais, Dresden's only true Grand Hotel. See the Semper Opera and Dresden's pride and joy, the 'Frauenkirche'. The ruin of this domed protestant church became the symbol of Dresden's unbroken spirit after it was bombed in 1945. Today it stands again in all its glory, carrying a message of peace and reconciliation to the world.

Admire the Zwinger Palace, the Hofkirche church, the Bruehl Balcony, and the Old Market with Kreuzkirche church and more. The 'Schloss' extends through the whole of the inner city. With its massive medieval tower and foundations, perfectly preserved jousting arena and many step-gabled wings, it is Germany's most significant Renaissance palace.

The Historic Green Vault and the New Green Vault at Dresden's Castle are sure to dazzle visitors with more than 4,000 works of art in both museums. Take a privately guided tour of the New Green Vaults. Treasures in the New Green Vault include a rolling ball clock with a figure of Saturn. The tower shows off fantasy portraits of Roman emperors while the figures representing the six liberal arts.



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### **Neue Synagogue**

Take a privately guided tour of the award-winning 'Neue Synagogue' by Wandel, Lorch & Hirsch, home to Dresden's Jewish community. It was built on the site where its predecessor went up in flames during 'Crystal Night'. The design exploits the awkward orientation of the plot of land by twisting the cubic body of the building step-wise into a genuine East-West position.

### **Contemporary Architecture**

Take a panoramic drive by to admire Dresden's most recent contemporary architectural highlights:

- » The splintered steel, concrete and glass of Coop Himmelblau's UFA Cinema
- » Lord Foster's refit of Dresden's 19th century railway station with a translucent skin of Teflon-coated glass fibre
- » The multicolored burst of energy that is the Sankt Benno Gymnasium by Günter Behnisch, who also designed the new Akademie der Künste in Berlin
- » Daniel Libeskind's Bundeswehr Museum of Military History, in the architect orchestrates a twisted glass wedge to break out of a 19th century state building

Additional options for the daytrip to Dresden:

### **Meißen**

Not far from Dresden, in the City of Meißen, the MEISSEN Manufactory has been producing exclusive porcelain objects for more than 300 years. They stand for passion, exclusivity and immortality. The Museum of MEISSEN Art is the most comprehensive collection of Meissen Porcelain from the beginnings in 1710 to the present day and therefore unique amongst the world's collections of MEISSEN. In 1916 the Museum was opened as showroom of the manufactory. Today the Museum of MEISSEN Art takes you on an enticing journey through more than 300 years of porcelain history. Numerous pieces from 1710 to the present day are arranged chronologically to illustrate design developments through the ages.







#### **Gut Schloss Proschwitz**

In between Dresden and Meißen is the vineyard „Gut Schloss Proschwitz“. The oldest privately ran wine growing estate in Saxony. The prince and owner of the palace, „Prinz zur Lippe“ is giving private wine tastings explaining the specialties of the regional products and taking clients on a private tour through the gardens. Different catering menus can be arranged suiting the wines.

