

# INFORMATION FOR TOUR OPERATORS



2025

## MEISSEN Theme World

Manual production lives on at Meissen. Anyone visiting the city by the Elbe will be able to see that for themselves in our Meissen Theme World. Immerse yourself in the world of Meissen porcelain – discover Meissen with all your senses.

In our Demonstration Workshop you will experience at first hand how new designs are exquisitely hand-crafted. You will find all there is to know about more than 300 years of porcelain production and Europe's first trademark – the Crossed Swords – in our Museum.

You can either become an artist yourself by designing your own personal one-off in Meissen porcelain in our workshops or else explore our production facilities in a “Behind-the-Scenes-Manufactory” TOUR. In the Café Meissen you can indulge in modern, regional cuisine served on our scintillating porcelain. In our Meissen Store you will find inspiration and products to suit your very own lifestyle.

Tours, events, holiday attractions and exciting exhibitions will enable you to discover and experience aspects of Meissen all year round.



### Opening hours

Daily throughout the year

January - March 10 am – 5 pm

April - December 9 am – 6 pm

31.12. and 01.01. 10 am – 4 pm

Closing time: 24 -26 December



## Highlights 2025

21 March 2025 – 22 February 2026

Special exhibition – Maladie 2.0

Meissen Porcelain Foundation Ten Years On

Behind the Scenes Manufactory Tour  
Discovery-Tour through the production areas  
of the manufactory

Do it yourself!

Your personal MEISSEN unique piece

Mug or Vide Poche



## Demonstration Workshops

In the Demonstration Workshops, visitors can learn about the most important artisanal techniques that go into the creation of MEISSEN porcelain. The tour begins at the potter's wheel and continues on to embossing all the way to under- and on-glaze painting. The knowledgeable and very experienced manufactory craftsmen are happy to answer questions about their work and the various production steps.

We recommend to book audio guided tours through the demonstration workshop or exclusive tours with a personal guide with groups larger than 10 people in advance.



## Demonstration Workshops

**Experience: Audio-guided-Tour, bookable in 14 languages**

A Tour of the demonstration workshop with audio guide and individual visit to the Museum of the Meissen Porcelain Foundation incl. special exhibition.

Admission: 12 EUR per person incl. VAT. B2B price

Pre-registration is required.



Audio guided tours are available in 14 languages and are included in the admission price:  
Chinese, Danish, English, Finnish, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Dutch, Polish, Russian, Swedish, Spanish and Czech.

On Request



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## Demonstration Workshops

### Experience: Exclusive Tours

A Tour with a personal guide through the demonstration workshop, the museum of the Meissen porcelain foundation and the special exhibition.

Price: 19 EUR per person, incl. VAT.

Exclusive tours with a guide are offered with **min. 20 and max. 30 people**, per group (20 people): 380 EUR per group incl. VAT.



For exclusive tours for groups of **less than 20 guests**, we charge the following flat rates, including admission and guided tour:  
380 EUR per group incl. VAT.

### Duration:

We recommend allowing approx. 2 hours for the visit or guided tour.

Exclusive tours are bookable in 11 languages:  
German, English, French, Hindi, Italian, Japanese,  
Polish, Russian, Spanish, Chinese and Czech.

# Meissen Porcelain Foundation Museum

## Tradition in a Vibrant Setting

Built in 1916 in the style of a Neoclassical banquet hall, the Museum of the Meissen Porcelain Foundation is home to a vast collection from the manufactory's 300 years. The wide variety of pieces on display tell the story of Europe's oldest porcelain manufactory, tracing the development of European table and dining culture in countless exhibits –Kaendler's opulent 18th-century "Swan Service", presented in an expansive wall mounting, being one of many highlights.

QR codes on many displays offer visitors additional information on historical backgrounds, while Children are invited to explore the museum on a treasure hunt or rally.

For groups, we recommend booking an exclusive guided tour through the museum and our Demonstration Workshops, available in 11 languages.



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# Meissen Porcelain Foundation Museum

In a new exhibition area, the Museum lets visitors delve into the mysterious origins of MEISSEN porcelain with the aid of a special multivisual presentation.

Dynamic lighting and vivid projections combine with historical exhibits in finest porcelain and, at their heart, the “Philosopher’s Stone” to bring the space dramatically alive.

Text inserts and film sequences allow the MEISSEN Manufactory’s genesis more than 300 years ago to be interactively experienced visitors learn much of interest about Johann Friedrich Böttger, famous alchemist and inventor of MEISSEN porcelain, and those who assisted him.



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## Special Exhibition

### Maladie 2.0

Meissen Porcelain Foundation Ten Years On  
Exhibition in the Meissen Porcelain Foundation Museum,  
21 March 2025 – 22 February 2026

Joys of Collecting. The Meissen Porcelain Foundation was established in late 2014 and entered service in 2015. It preserves Meissen porcelain as a cultural asset. One of its tasks involves looking after the Meissen Porcelain Manufactory's historical collection.

The Manufactory's founder Augustus the Strong referred to his passion for porcelain as a "maladie". That literally means "illness" but merely reflects his boundless longing for the precious white gold. Generations of collectors have shared his enthrallment ever since – as have active artists. Their porcelains document the invention, making and collecting of these delightful white objects. Manufactory staff in porcelain provide insights into the art-handiwork they incorporate. Jubilant collectors nurture their treasures. Artists play around with the concept of porcelain and in the process transform centuries-old work resources into contemporary porcelain art.

The exhibition sheds light on the Foundation's work whilst also showcasing Meissen porcelains given over to the subject of collecting.



Image: Maladie 2.0 exhibition promotional image  
(Jester by Olaf Fieber in the Meissen Porcelain  
Foundation Museum, copyright: MPS, photo:  
Daniel Bahrmann)

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## The first organ made of MEISSEN porcelain

The world's first organ to feature pipes made of MEISSEN Porcelain is a consummate example of porcelain art. Augustus the Strong, founder of the Manufactory, had commissioned an organ with porcelain pipes to be made way back in the early 18th century. It was not until the year 2000 that the job was completed, though.

Guests from all over the world have been succumbing to the magic of music produced by MEISSEN Porcelain pipes ever since. Listen to the contrast between wooden, metal and porcelain pipes, when they guide through ages like the museum does.



Date & Price: 200 EUR per group incl. seating for 30 people, 1 EUR seating per person if group consists of more than 30 persons

Duration: 15 – 20 Minutes

# Creative-Workshops

From the raw material of porcelain paste to a finished piece of one's own design, MEISSEN's creative workshops give up to 15 participants the opportunity to discover porcelain as a creative medium and gain hands on experience with fundamental techniques.

Under the tutelage of MEISSEN's expert artisans, participants create their own porcelain pieces in the manufactory's workshop, dabbling in everything from forming and moulding individual elements, affixing handles, and adding decorative paint flourishes such as flowers and leaves.

Once the work is complete, the pieces are handed over to the in house experts for the final production steps: glazing and firing. Once fired, the finished items are sent to each workshop participant by post. Booking for groups is available, please contact visitor service.

Group: min. 5, max. 15 people / group,  
Price & Date: 149 EUR per Person, on request



# Do it yourself!

## Your personal MEISSEN piece

Are you looking for a very personal gift or want to drink your coffee from a very individual cup?

Then paint your own personal handle mug or a Vide-Poche bowl during your MEISSEN visit. After your unique piece has been glazed and fired, we will send it directly to your home. For the painting you can choose between a mug and a Vide-Poche bowl. In this way, you round off your visit at MEISSEN with a personal and unique work of art.

### Price:

MEISSEN Mug: 79 EUR per person, incl. shipping within the EU

Vide-Poche bowl: 59 EUR per person, incl. shipping within the EU

MEISSEN Mug: 109 EUR per person, incl. shipping to US and Asia

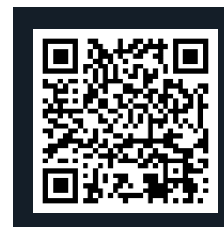
Vide-Poche bowl: 99 EUR per person, incl. shipping to US and Asia



Shipping: approx. 2 - 4 weeks until your unique pieces are shipped

Recommended age: 12 years and older

Duration: 30 Minutes – 1 hour, depending on your creativity!



## Behind the scenes of the manufactory

Our “Behind the Scenes Manufactory Tour” enables you to experience porcelain being crafted by hand live in an authentic Manufactory setting. You will gain comprehensive insights in real manufacturing shops into production routines that include how kaolin is won from our own mine, how porcelain paste is made, how white porcelain is produced and how models and moulds are created. You will also be shown through our vintage Archive of Moulds, our porcelain painting shop and our kiln hall.

You will then have a chance to marvel at a fantastic selection of ceramic masterpieces from four different centuries, in the Museum run by the Meissen Porcelain Foundation.

We recommend wearing firm shoes.

The “Behind the Scenes Manufactory Tour” is not suitable for people with physical handicaps, wheelchair users or children beneath the age of 6.

Duration: approx . 2 hours. The tour is limited to 10 people!

Price & Date: 500 EUR per group, on request



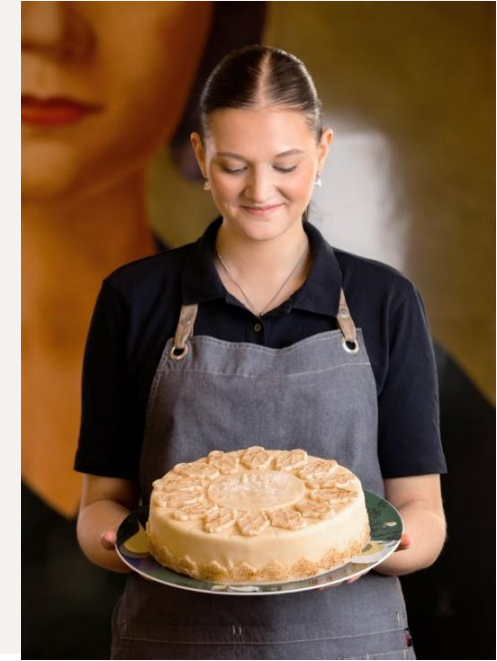
## Tea, Coffee, and hot Chocolate

Tea, coffee and hot chocolate are prepared in the style of the 18th century, illustrating the history of three luxuriant court staples that influenced the development of Meissen porcelain.

An engaging historical introduction is followed by tasting of tea, coffee, and hot chocolate with corresponding MEISSEN porcelain. In addition, a delectably laid table of homemade cakes, tortes, and coffee pralines is served at Café & Restaurant Meissen.



Price & Duration: 42 EUR per person, approx. 1 hour  
Included in the price are the event, tea, coffee, hot chocolate,  
and a selection of the finest cakes, tortes and pralines.



## Table and Dining Culture at MEISSEN

A three course meal served on famous MEISSEN Porcelain services from three centuries provides pleasant insights into table culture past and present.

Entertaining stories are shared, circling around table culture, table manners, the delights of the table as well as table arrangements then and now with MEISSEN.



Duration: approx. 2 - 3 hours

Price: 79 EUR per person

The price includes an aperitif and a seasonal three course menu.



## Chocolate Girl from MEISSEN

The Chocolate Girl welcomes its guests to the House of MEISSEN and shares a cup of hot Chocolate with you, made of an old recipe from the 18th century! Afterwards, the Chocolate Girl guides you through the museum and the demonstration workshops and tells the story of the MEISSEN Porcelain from another thrilling point of view. Finally, you will enjoy a fine 3 course menu that fits the winter perfectly. Of course, the dishes will be served on MEISSEN Porcelain

### Guided tour with the Chocolate Girl from MEISSEN

Experience the demonstration workshops and the museum with the Chocolate Girl and learn about the history of MEISSEN Porcelain from her point of view. The tasting of a cup of hot chocolate is possible.



Date & price: on request

Bookable from November to March.

The price includes a guided tour, a tasting and a 3 course menu at the Restaurant MEISSEN.



## Café & Restaurant MEISSEN

The treats our Café & Restaurant MEISSEN staff have in store for you are both culinary and visual in nature. Switch off for a while with us and, in a stylish setting, enjoy modern cuisine made up of fresh ingredients served on Meissen porcelain whilst also getting to know our fine regional wines. A broad selection of cakes and gateaux, snacks, and full meals and beverages will round your visit off to perfection.

The café is open to the general public. We ask that groups of 10 or more make reserve in advance. We are happy to prepare tailored packages for private events such as birthdays, company parties, champagne receptions, or conferences.

For reservations:

Café & Restaurant Meissen

Talstraße 9, 01662 Meißen

Telefon: +49 3521 468-730

Mail: [cafe@meissen.com](mailto:cafe@meissen.com)

Opening hours:

11 a.m. – 5 p.m. – **daily year-round**

11 a.m. – 4 p.m. – 31.12. & 1.1.

Closing time – 24-26 December



# How to find us!

## By car or coach

- A 4 motorway from Dresden, Wilsdruff turnoff
- A 4 motorway from Chemnitz, Siebenlehn turnoff
- A 14 motorway from Leipzig, Nossen Ost turnoff
- A 13 motorway from Berlin, Radeburg turnoff
- B 6 main road from Dresden

## Public transport

S-Bahn (suburban train ) from Dresden to Meissen Triebischtal stop, then follow the signposts, approx. 10 minutes walk.

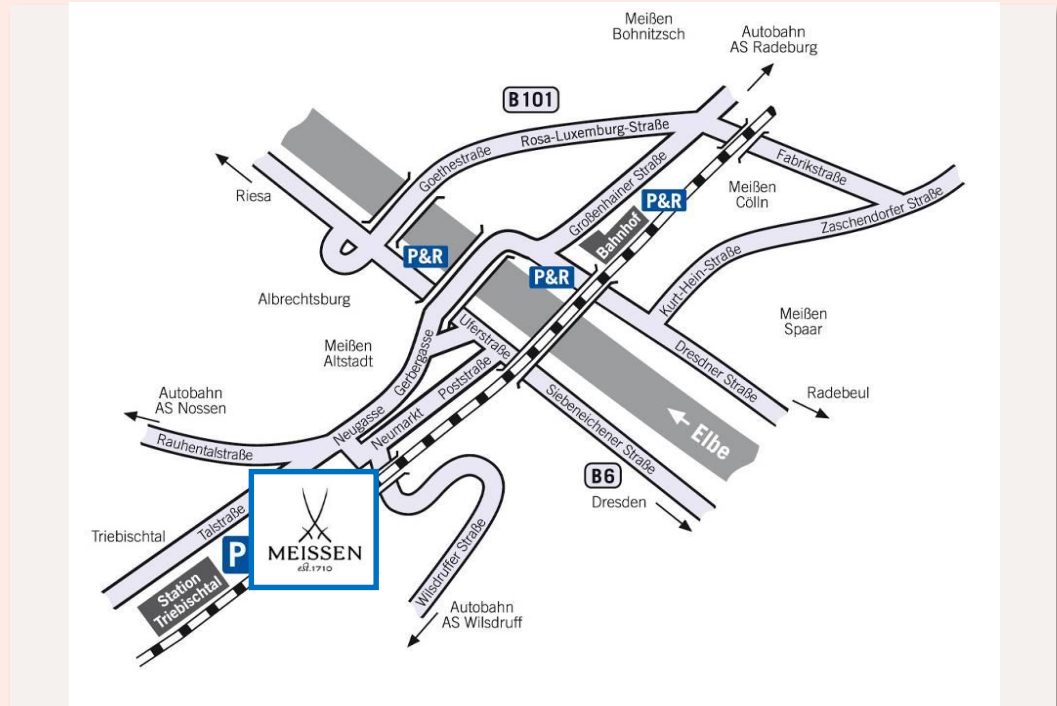
Bus from Meissen's main railway station or the city centre (including the "City Bus") for Meissen Triebischtal, bus stop right outside the Manufactory.

More information: [www.vvo-online.de](http://www.vvo-online.de)

## Helicopter – Landing Places

- Festplatz (fairground): underneath the castle Albrechtsburg
- Sportplatz (sports field) in Siebeneichen

Please inform our visitor services at least 24 hours in advance.



## Parking

Public car and coach park (chargeable), entrance from Talstrasse, 300m from entrance to the House of MEISSEN

More information: [www.stadtwerke-meissen.de](http://www.stadtwerke-meissen.de)



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