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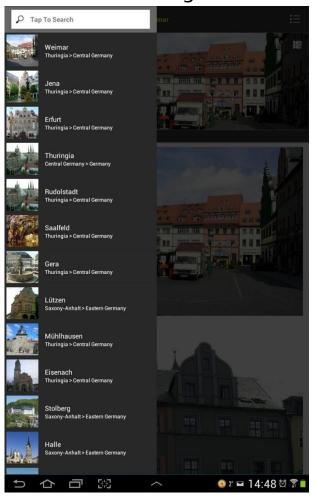
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Main Page





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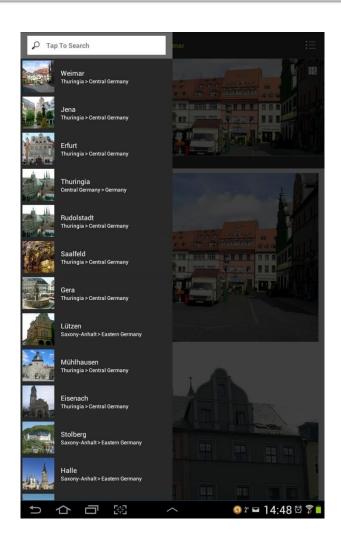


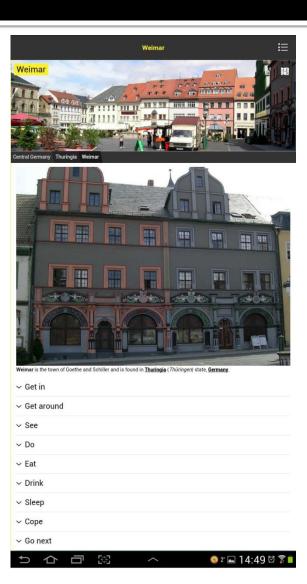


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△ Get in

Weimar is a small town with lots of tourists, most of whom come in on coaches for day-visits. Roads can be congested in the mornings and evenings.



By train

The best and most convienent way is by train. Deutsche Bahn offers direct connections from **Berlin**, **Leipzig** and **Erfurt**. Weimar Hauptbahnhof is about a kilometre from Goetheplatz, in the city's center: you can

- walk: A pleasant ten-minute stroll downhill is a good way to stretch your legs after the train-ride. Cross the square in front of the station and walk down Carl-August-Allee. Go around the right of the building at the end of this road (the Neues Museum), and continue walking in the same direction, now on Karl-Liebknecht-Strasse, continue across the crossing and you soon find yourself in the city centre.
- take a bus: lines 2, 3, 3A, 3B, and 6 will bring you to Goetheplatz within a few minutes. One-way tickets cost €1.60.

By car

Weimar is connected to the Autobahn A4.

By plane

The nearest airport is in Erfurt [1] but few connections and high fares make it only feasible for business travellers.

The Leipzig Halle Airport (Flughafen) is the closest airport for all intents and purposes. It is an international airport, with most major cities one stop away.

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Weimar is small and the best way to get around is by foot or by bike. The city has a public transport system but as a tourist you won't need it. At night taxis come in handy when you feel lost and they are used to cater tourists.

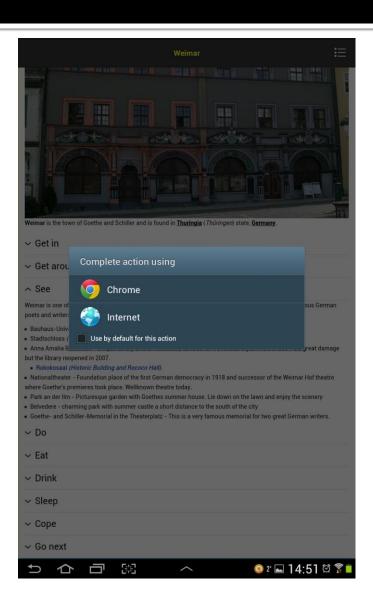
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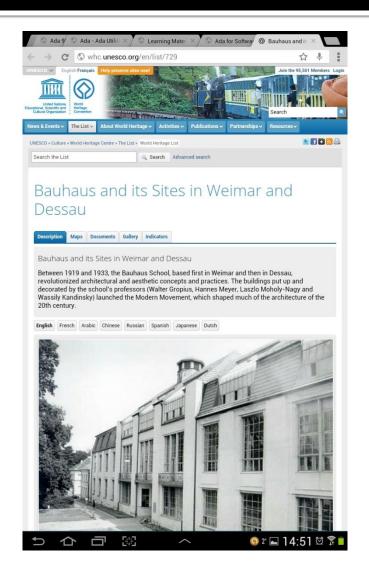
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Weimar is one of the most historic sites in Germany. It was home of Goethe and Schiller, the two most famous German poets and writers.

- Bauhaus-University Weimar and the Haus am Horn, part of the Bauhaus Sites protected by UNESCO [2].
- Stadtschloss (city castle) Home of the biggest sponsor of Goethe and Schiller. Art gallery.
- Anna Amalia Bibliothek Unique library and art selection, famous for it's rococo style. A fire in 2004 did great damage but the library reopened in 2007.
 - Rokokosaal (Historic Building and Rococo Hall).
- Nationaltheater Foundation place of the first German democracy in 1918 and successor of the Weimar Hof theatre where Goethe's premieres took place. Wellknown theatre today.
- Park an der Ilm Picturesque garden with Goethes summer house. Lie down on the lawn and enjoy the scenery
- Belvedere charming park with summer castle a short distance to the south of the city
- Goethe- and Schiller-Memorial in the Theaterplatz This is a very famous memorial for two great German writers.

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The best thing is to take a guided tour through the town because mosts buildings have a story. Either you have time or plan a tour through all buildings of interest.

The nation of thinkers and poets (Land der Dichter und Denker) became a country of judges and hangmen(Richter und Henker) in the period from 1933-45. To complement the experience of Weimar, the cultural capital, make the short trip to the Buchenwald Memorial [3] just 10 kilometers outside town. This is a good experience to see how close genius and nightmare of German history can come.

An excellent introduction to Weimar is Weimar Haus: Das Geschichtserlebnis (in English, "The History Experience"). This is an interactive multimedia tour (choice of languages) through Weimar's history from prehistoric times to the present. It features audio, video, wax figures and detailed sets you move through guided by famous historical figures. Schillerstr. 16.

pèlerinages Kunstfest Weimar - annual event during late summer, four weeks full of cultural events and activities.

Zwiebelmarkt - traditionally a harvest market this is today Weimar's biggest fair, one weekend every year in mid October.

In the Theaterplatz there is the Bauhaus-Museum, Weimar is the birthplace of Bauhaus.

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The market square is the home of the centuries-old and extremely tasty Thueringer Bratwurst, which can be bought at one of the many sausage stands during the day. It is widely considered a delicacy. The area is also famous for its cakes, such as the Zupfkuchen, all widely available generally costing around €1.

There are many good restaurants in the city catering to the tourist market selling all manner of cuisine, and with the compact nature of the city you can never be far away from the food you are wanting.

Pizzeria Da Antonio, Windischenstraße 33, Weimar. 10.00-24.00. A friendly, cheap italian restaurant with 90 main dishes to choose from, including 45 types of pizza and many salads or pasta dishes. Average dish price €6-7.50, 0.5l of soft drink or beer around €2.50. Main dishes all between €4.50-9.00.

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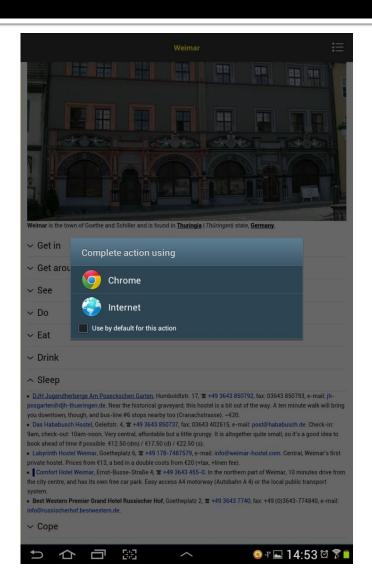
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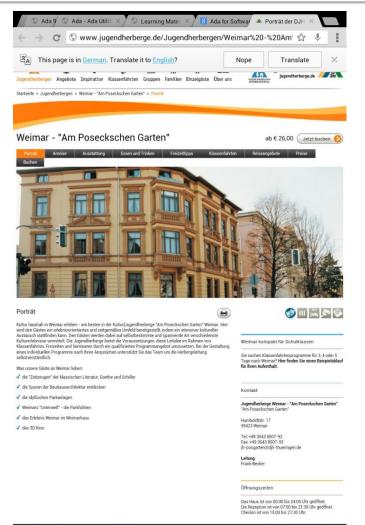
In the Hauptbahnhof there is a snack bar where you may find an excellent iced tea.

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- Labyrinth Hostel Weimar, Goetheplatz 6, 2 +49 178-7487579, e-mail: info@weimar-hostel.com. Central, Weimar's first private hostel. Prices from €13, a bed in a double costs from €20 (+tax, +linen fee).
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- Best Western Premier Grand Hotel Russischer Hof, Goetheplatz 2, 🏗 +49 3643 7740, fax: +49 (0)3643-774840, e-mail: info@russischerhof.bestwestern.de.



















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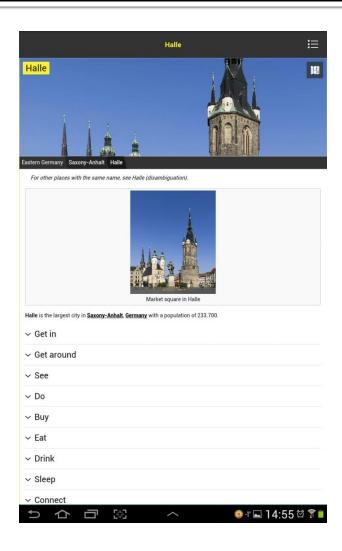
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<u>Jena</u> is just a quarter of an hour away by car, as is <u>Erfurt</u>. The drive to <u>Leipzig</u> takes less than an hour. With a direct connection (no change of trains), Göttingen can be reached in under two hours.

Halle, about 45 minutes away, has some great things to see. Largest city in Saxony-Anhalt, birthplace of Handel and has
a few castles.

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