

itineraries Potsdam

The routes mentioned are only suggestions. You are of course welcome to put together a route according to your own ideas. The distances and travel times in the route recommendations are based on experience with average speeds of 6-8 km/h. The average time to pass a lock is 15-20 minutes (but depends on the season and traffic). Please also note the "lock opening times" of individual locks! These can vary from one sailing area to the next.

Brandenburg Tour (licence required)

from/to Potsdam via Rathenow

Plan at least 7 nights.

Details of the route:

280 km, 10 locks, approx. 45 hours sailing time.

Your houseboat holiday begins and ends in Potsdam, the capital of Brandenburg. Take time to visit and enjoy one of Germany's most beautiful cities before setting off on your houseboat tour. A charming cultural landscape with 12 castles and historic parks, including the crowd-pullers Sanssouci Palace - summer residence of Frederick II and Cecilienhof Palace, site of the Potsdam Conference, await you. On foot, by bus, by bike or from the water, Potsdam offers something for everyone, whether it's museums or shopping, historic quarters or the Babelsberg Film Park, be sure to plan enough time.

Brandenburg: "City in the river", two of the three historic city centres - Neustadt and Dominsel - are surrounded by arms of the river. The old town also lies on an arm of the Havel. Numerous boat moorings throughout the city centre. Restaurants, cafés, bistros invite you to relax after a tour of the city. Brandenburg is divided into six districts (including the three mentioned above), and there are also eight districts. One of the largest inland wetlands in Central Europe begins in Brandenburg an der Havel. Remains of the preserved city fortifications (14th - 15th centuries). St. Peter and Paul's Cathedral on the Cathedral Island.

Plaue (part of the city of Brandenburg): Plaue Castle with castle park and terraced meadow, listed "garden city", the "old lock".

Premnitz: small industrial town in the green heart of the western Havelland. Newly designed Havel

riverbank promenade with the steamer landing stage. Premnitz Lake "natural bathing place" with circular walk. The lake was created in 1913 by a water inrush in a clay pit.

Rathenow - City of Optics: historic old town island, enclosed by four arms of the Havel. The optics park (Federal Garden Show site 2016) with brachymedial telescope and its other numerous highlights and events is well worth a visit! Optics Park and Weinberg with Bismarck Tower are connected by the 348 m long "Weinberg Bridge", which is well worth seeing. Optics Industry Museum.

Havelberg - island and cathedral city in the countryside: this is where the Havel flows into the Elbe. Richly decorated half-timbered houses in the old town centre are a reminder of the prosperity that prevailed in the Hanseatic town due to the salt and timber trade. The cathedral is also an attraction of this beautiful city.

Possible further activities:

- Hiking. Numerous marked hiking trails lead through the Westhavelland Nature Park.

- Water sports.

- Cycling. Day trips on the Havel cycle path, also circular routes, ideal for day trips.

- Petzow Castle

Spreewald Tour (licence required)

from/to Potsdam viaBad Saarow

Plan for at least 7 nights.

Route details:

250 km, 12 locks, 2 bridges, approx. 40 hours travel time.

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Berlin: Reichstag, government district (may only be reached by boat before 10:30 a.m. and after 7 p.m.), Potsdamer Platz or Brandenburg Gate, countless cafés and pubs, restaurants and bars, shopping opportunities, Museum Island, Baroque palaces (Charlottenburg, Köpenick), TV Tower, Alexanderplatz, Checkpoint Charlie and countless other well-known and unknown possibilities await you. Many sights can be reached by boat.

Prieros: enjoy nature and tranquillity in the Dahme-Heideseen Nature Park after your discovery tour of Berlin. In Prieros you will find supply facilities and restaurants.

Bad Saarow: elegant health resort on Lake Scharmützel. Wellness and recreation in the modern Saarowthermen (natural moor from the Wierich meadows and natural brine from the Catharinenquelle spring). Spa park, charming gardens, villas on the lakeside.

Possible further activities:

- Hiking.

- Water sports.

- Cycling.

- Golf.

- Horse riding.

Inland Waters Literature Recommendation:

Planning Map Waterways Germany Northeast by Bodo Müller.
Elbe - Oder. With Berlin and the Mecklenburg waters.
24,90 EUR
ISBN 978-3-667-11433-4
Available at Barone Yachting. All prices plus shipping.

Note:

Please note that this is a suggested itinerary and not all yachts have the necessary licences / insurance to call at all destinations.

Please clarify this with the charter company before planning your trip. You will receive the necessary papers for your route planning from the lessor before the start of the charter, so these must be requested from the hirer / skipper in good time. The terms and conditions of the lessor / owner and, if applicable, their restrictions apply.

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