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Hike along the Moselsteig trail

Starting in Bernkastel-Kues, it's a nice about 40 minutes long walk to the tiny vintners village of Klüsserath. From here, there's an attractive 11 km trail called the 'Moselsteig Seitensprung Klüsserather Sagenweg' (Mosel path side leap Legends Trail Klüsserath). It's a four hour hike that takes you through a surprisingly diverse scenery. The beginning and end in particular offer a spectacular view of the vineyards and the Moselle valley. There's a cabin conveniently located halfway

between the starting and finishing point, perfect for a break and picnic. Arm yourself with a good bottle of Moselle and a few hearty local delicacies, and you'll be all set. This hike is definitely one of our personal favorites!

Parking area by the Klüsserath weather station | traumsteige.de

Ruhr valley



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5 Tiger and Turtle

2011 marked the opening of this gigantic, walkable sculpture named Tiger and Turtle. Shaped like a carnival ride, it still draws numerous visitors to the Duisburg south on Heinrich-Hildebrand-Höhe on a daily basis. Roughly 20 meters high, the sculpture is permanently accessible for free. You have a fantastic view of the area from Tiger and Turtle, particularly at night. The locals like to call the sculpture a roller coaster - it certainly looks like all it needs is rails and compartments. Instead of riding it, you get to climb many, many steps up to the top. At the looping is where the walkable part ends. for obvious reasons. The length you can walk is nearly 220 meters, with the highest spot

85 meters above sea level. As you're on a hill already, the view of Duisburg and surroundings is quite spectacular. Close by, you can see the bustle of the steel works, the storage area of the log port, but also a lot of natural forest in the distance. At night, the sculpture is illuminated by 880 LEDs, a very impressive sight so see. We recommend taking advantage of a guided tour.

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Saxonian Switzerland

Saxonian Switzerland, about an hour's drive away from Dresden, is certainly among the best known regions of Germany due to its distinct rock formations. One of the hikes is

the famous Malerweg, and there are many more, one more picturesque than the next. In the winter months, unhindered by foliage, you have a spectacular view of the craggy rocks. Also, you'll have more privacy, even on the popular spots.

Schrammsteine



16 Hike to the Schrammsteine

One of the hiking trails takes you to the Schrammsteine. Generally, hikes in the National Park Saxonian Switzerland are easily manageable without a guide. The trails have easy to follow signage and you pass many big information boards along the way. However, a

guided tour can provide additional insight to flora and fauna as well as the history of the Elbe Sandstone Highlands.

The Schrammsteine are considered to be the centerpiece of Saxonian Switzerland. You walk up a sloping hill, then proceed on







Bad Muskau is not, strictly speaking, part of the Lusatian Lake District, but we suggest a detour when you travel in that part of Germany nonetheless.

The town is best known for its large landscape park and castle, both designed by Prince Hermann von Pückler-Muskau.

At 200 years old, it's the largest and one of the most famous English gardens in Central Europe; it comes as no surprise that it's a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Because of its size, we recommend exploring the park by bicycle. The bike rental station is open from April through to October. But of course, you could also buy a seat on one of the historic horse-drawn carriages.

Did you know the whole park is man-made? The completely natural-looking landscape was in fact meticulously planned on Prince Pückler's drawing board and carefully implemented piece by piece. It's remarkable what a precise vision for the park as it looks today, with mature trees and plants, he must have had even then. The larger part of the park is on the Polish side.





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