

Accommodation

Potsdam is a World Heritage Site and one of the busiest tourist destinations in this country. The season starts in May. We talked to a number of hotel staff and they all recommend to book as soon as possible before rooms become too expensive – or are simply no longer available.

Make your choice and book.

Doing so, you should be aware of the various cancellation rules that exist. Some hotels offer a lower rate if you waive the right to cancel. Since our meeting is still more than four month away it is probably a good idea to maintain your right to cancel. The difference is normally 10.00 or 20.00 €.

If you encounter difficulties of any kind, please contact us. Especially if you find a gross difference between the information given below and what you find in the websites, please let me know. It might be my mistake.

As already mentioned we can't do the booking for you. We are very sorry, but we simply don't have the capacities. You are all seasoned travellers so I'm sure you will find a place that will meet your needs. You should also note that we are only making suggestions. Of course you are free to use Expedia and Trivago and their likes to find a hotel according to your taste and budget. I can imagine that most of you have already tried Air B&B and know how to use it.

LOW BUDGET

Hostels usually offer a wide range of accommodation from single rooms to beds in dormitories.

This hostel is situated outside the city centre and next to Sanssouci Park:

Quartier Potsdam Hostel

Ribbeckstraße 41

14469 Potsdam

<https://www.potsdam-hostel.com/en/>

telephone: +49 – 331 – 27 39 939

email: info@potsdam-hostel.com

Jugendherberge / Youth Hostel

We tried youth hostels both in Potsdam and Berlin, but to no avail. There is one non-YHA hostel in Berlin:

St.-Michaels-Heim Jugendgästehaus & Hotel

Bismarckallee 23

14193 Berlin

<https://www.st-michaels-heim.de/>

telephone: +49 – 30 – 896 88 – 160

email: info@st-michaels-heim.de

This hostel in the Berlin city district of Charlottenburg-Wilmersdorf is quite a distance away from Potsdam. But there is a motorway nearby and travel time by car should be around 30 minutes under normal conditions. This place can be an alternative for those who travel by car.

BUDGET

There are two B&B places under one management:

Pension Sanssouci

Zeppelinstraße 164a (enter from Auf dem Kiewitt street)

14471 Potsdam

<https://www.pension-sanssouci.de/>

and

Pension Havelbucht

Schopenhauerstraße 39

14467 Potsdam

<https://www.pension-havelbucht.de/index.html>

Manager for both places: Herr Liedtke

landline +49 – 331 – 620 84 00

mobile: +49 – 172 – 181 80 07

email: info@pension-sanssouci.de

In both places there is no reception and no staff is available from noon onwards. Everything that needs to be discussed must be discussed by email and / or by mobile phone.

The "Havelbucht" is close to the city centre, 1.7 km from Potsdam main station, next to a busy road. More or less around the corner is the "Sanssouci", 2.2 km from the station. Both are close to Luisenplatz, a major public transport hub.

When booking, please quote "ECTF" (the online booking template doesn't really work currently, send an email or make a telephone call).

Rates: The prices are the same in both places (no single rooms):

double room / single occupancy: 66.00 € per night

double room (twin) / double occupancy: 77.00 € per room per night

double room "special" (two rooms with three beds, sharing a bathroom): 87.00 € per night for both rooms

A breakfast is included. If you don't want it, 6.00 € per person per night will be deducted.

Another budget place is:

B&B Hotel Potsdam

Babelsberger Straße 24

14473 Potsdam

<https://www.hotelbb.de/en/potsdam>

telephone: +49 – 331 – 62644 – 0

email: potsdam@hotelbb.com

This budget hotel is situated just on the other side of Potsdam main station; minutes to walk. If you are sensitive to noise this may not be the place for you.

Rates:

French bed room (single occupancy): 61.00 € per night

twin bed room / double occupancy: 70.00 € per room per night

Please note that this hotel has pretty strict rules concerning cancellations and repayments.

STANDARD

Mercure Hotel Potsdam City

Lange Brücke

14467 Potsdam

<https://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-1582-mercure-hotel-potsdam-city/index.shtml>

telephone: +49 – 331 – 27 24 24

email: info@mercure-hotel-potsdam.de

This is a standard business-traveller-type of hotel, minutes to walk from Potsdam main station and the bus terminal. A rather anonymous place.

Rates (no single rooms):

Double room / single occupancy: 103.00 € per night

Double room (twin) / double occupancy: 113.00 € per room per night

Breakfast is not included, it would be 5.00 € per person per night extra.

Villa Monte Vino

Gregor-Mendel-Straße 27

14469 Potsdam

www.hotelvillamontevino.de

telephone +49 – 331 – 201 33 39

email: info@hotelvillamontevino.de

A small and very cosy so called boutique hotel. From there, Sanssouci Park is just minutes away; a bus is running from the city centre.

Rates:

single room (called "standard") 99.00 € per night

double / single occupancy 109.00 € per night

double / double occupancy per room (called "superior") 129.00 € per room per night

A breakfast is not included, you can book it separately for 11.00 €.

PREMIUM

There are some posh hotels in Potsdam. Two of them are:

Hotel am Luisenplatz

Luisenplatz 5

14471 Potsdam

<https://www.hotel-luisenplatz.de/>

telephone: 0331-971900

email: info@hotel-luisenplatz.de

This hotel is right in the middle of the city centre with excellent access to public transport.

Rates:

There are one single room and seven double rooms left. The single room is 125.00 € per night, the double rooms are 540.00 € single occupancy for all three nights and 579.00 double occupancy for all three nights per room (the prices vary from one night to the other). The rate includes a breakfast.

Hotel Am Jägertor

Hegelallee 11

14467 Potsdam

<http://www.potsdam-hotel-am-jaegertor.de/en>

telephone: +49 – 331 – 2011 100

email: info@hotel-am-jaegertor.de

The Jägertor ("hunter's gate") is located at the northern edge of the city centre. It is recommended by Frank's relatives.

The rate for a double room / single occupancy is 133.00 € including a breakfast.

Steigenberger

One of the most prestigious hotel chains in Germany is Steigenberger. They don't have single rooms, prices for a double / double occupancy start at 193.00 € per night. That was the price we were told on Friday. When I looked at their website this morning, the rate was suddenly 124.00 €. Strange things happen. I talked to a lady in the back-office, telling her that this is not in line with serious business practices.

If you want to give it a try:

<https://www.steigenberger.com/hotels/alle-hotels/deutschland/potsdam/steigenberger-hotel-sanssouci>