

Let me show you Dortmund...

This is our final station, the Former Union Brewery. It was founded in the 18th century and on top of the building you can see the 3 meters high U. It's the Brewery Logo. Today the building is used as a museum and a public place for art, culture and media.

Let's take the lift to the top and enjoy the view.

Okay, I hope you liked my tour and had fun. I wish you a good evening. Bye!



Our first station is the Mainstation of Dortmund. It has been opened in 1859. It's always really crowded in here. Over 130.000 people come here daily. Even though Dortmund had good plans to rebuild the Mainstation, the plans always got canceled.



Hello and welcome to the tour through rough Dortmund for you and your family. I am your tour guide. Miss. You can ask me questions and I will try to answer them.

Our tour will start at 8.30 a.m. and is going to be finished at 6 p.m.



to our next sight

Our next sight is the Amiens Square. This building in the middle of the square is a sculpture, designed and built by Stefan Sauz. The Amiens Square is between the museum for Art and Cultural History and the RWE-Tower. The RWE-Tower is an office building. The square is named after Dortmund's partner city, Amiens in France.



follow me, please...

Here we are at the Dortmund Concert Hall. It has been opened in 2002 and it has got 1550 seats. The Hall has got a mascot too, it's this rhinoceros with wings. It is so popular, that it became our city mascot! As you can see, the Concert Hall is really big. It is 32 meters high and its basement is 8 meters deep. This Hall possesses an organ and has got beautiful acoustics. Some people call this place "Philharmony of Westphalia".



Let's move on



At the Opera we had lots of beautiful and loud music. But here it is quiet and quite peaceful... Where are we? This is the Propstei Churchyard. Once it was the only Catholic church downtown. Its origin was a monastery. Over the time the buildings were used for other things, too, like schools. The church and all the buildings around it form the Propstei Churchyard.

Oh, now we go on...



This sight is called Luckeallee. This street is the extension of another part we will visit later. It reaches from the Hellweg to the Burgwall. The Luckeallee once had a city gate and a pond. In the middle ages they used the pond to test women if they were witches. So this place is really special.

Okay, great, let us head to our next interesting sight, the Vohoff House...



Here we are at the Opera House. First some information: This Opera House has been opened in 1866. It was built on the terrain of the Old Synagogue. It has got a big, cool, shell-shaped roof. And now, especially for our little tourists, we have arranged a treat! We are going to watch the opera "Alice in Wonderland". It's only 5€ per person, starts now, at 4.30 p.m. and will end at 3 p.m. I will pick you up after that.

That was beautiful. Are you ready to continue?

Let's get to the Opera House



This is the Vohoff House, my dear friends. It is here since 1603 and it is connected to the Marienkirche, a church, over an archway. It was destroyed twice, but always rebuilt. It has a nice Renaissance style and is one of the oldest houses in Dortmund. Today it is the home of a music school. Isn't that interesting, guys? Okay, let's visit our other sights. Come with me, please...



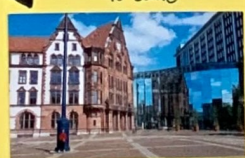
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Now we are on the Peace Square. Its name was chosen to urge the peace on earth. The Square also is used for events. It is a venue of Dortmund. On the left you can see the Old Civic Hall. On top of its gable you can see an eagle. It's part of the Dortmund coat of arms.

Well, I talked a lot and it is already noon. We will take a break and have a picnic at the Stadtpark (a park) right behind these buildings. Take a rest and enjoy...

Oh, our next stop is about to come



This, guys, is the Uffingstrasse. It goes from the Südwall to the Hellweg. There are a lot of municipal buildings around it. Also this fountain is really nice and a popular spot in the summer to take a rest.



The name of this sight is the Old Market Square. It is the historical centrum of our city. It is here since the 8th century. This is actually the place where our old Town Hall once stood. Also, it's the home for our famous Bläserbrunnen. The Square is framed by the historical houses of our merchants. And the best thing about it is... every year in Winter there is a christmas market right here. Now you know the Old Market.

Let's go and learn some more things, but about other sights.