# Saalfeld/Saale

The Fairy Grottoes City





Saalfeld, the beautiful town on the Saale River, is situated at the foot of Thuringia's slate mountains surrounded by gentle mountains and green forests. With its more than 1,100-year-old history, it is among the oldest towns in Thuringia. Discover the historic town centre on a tour. Find out interesting and thrilling facts about the former monastery, mining and residence town and be inspired by its flair.



# St. John's Church

### Tour of the town

A tour through Saalfeld with its Renaissance town hall, St. John's Church and the former Franciscan monastery where today's town museum is housed allows you to discover lots of interesting facts about the historical town centre.

The lovingly restored old town is still surrounded by parts of the city wall and four well preserved city gates. Discover Saalfeld's Renaissance town hall and old patrician houses with elaborate gables, archways and bay windows. The climb up to a medieval city gate rounds off your trip.

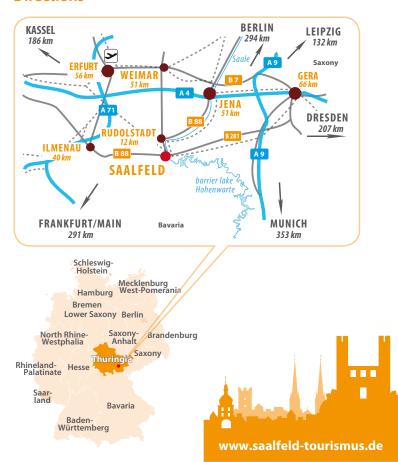
Let yourself be whisked away on a unique journey through the beautiful town on the Saale River.

Lasts: approx. 1 hour

Price: €65 up to 20 people
 €3 each per person

Tip: An organ recital can be booked in St. John's Church for €4 per person.

### **Directions**







## Thuringian specialities

We offer a range from light snacks with original Thuringian grilled sausages to dishes with Thuringian dumplings and hearty roasts, farmers' cakes and delicious ice cream varieties



Visit the Saalfeld Fairy Grottoes, whose reputation as the "most colourful cave grottoes in the world" have made the town internationally famous. Immerse yourself in the kingdom of fairies and miners and be captivated by the Fairy Grottoes show mine. Saalfeld is always worth the trip, whether it's for one day or several days. We will be happy to advise you and look forward to your visit!



# **Saalfeld Fairy Grottoes**

Wonder deep in the mountain

Many years ago, miners near Saalfeld set off in search of gold, silver and other coveted treasures. Black alum shale was discovered here. After mining the black rock, nature transformed the caves into a colourful underground world over the course of time, today's Fairy Grottoes.

Find out lots of interesting facts about the show mine's history and the miners' lives during the guided tour.

Lasts: approx. 1 hour Price: guided tour

€8.90 up to 15 people €9.90 less than 15 people















### Grottoneum

The interactive exhibition

You can read, listen, touch and taste at numerous information and interactive points. Find out how the light used to be ignited in the mine. Let stalactites grow and fit the coloured minerals together in a puzzle. Experience how the Fairy Grottoes came about 440 million years ago in the grotto cinema.

Lasts: approx. 45 minutes Price: quided tour + Grottoneum € 9.90 up to 15 people €11.90 less than 15 people



# **Opening hours and Contact**

**Fairy Grottoes and Grottoneum** 

May – Oct every day 9.30 a.m. – 5.00 p.m. Nov – Apr every day 10.30 a.m. – 3.30 p.m. (January just Sat. + Sun.)

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