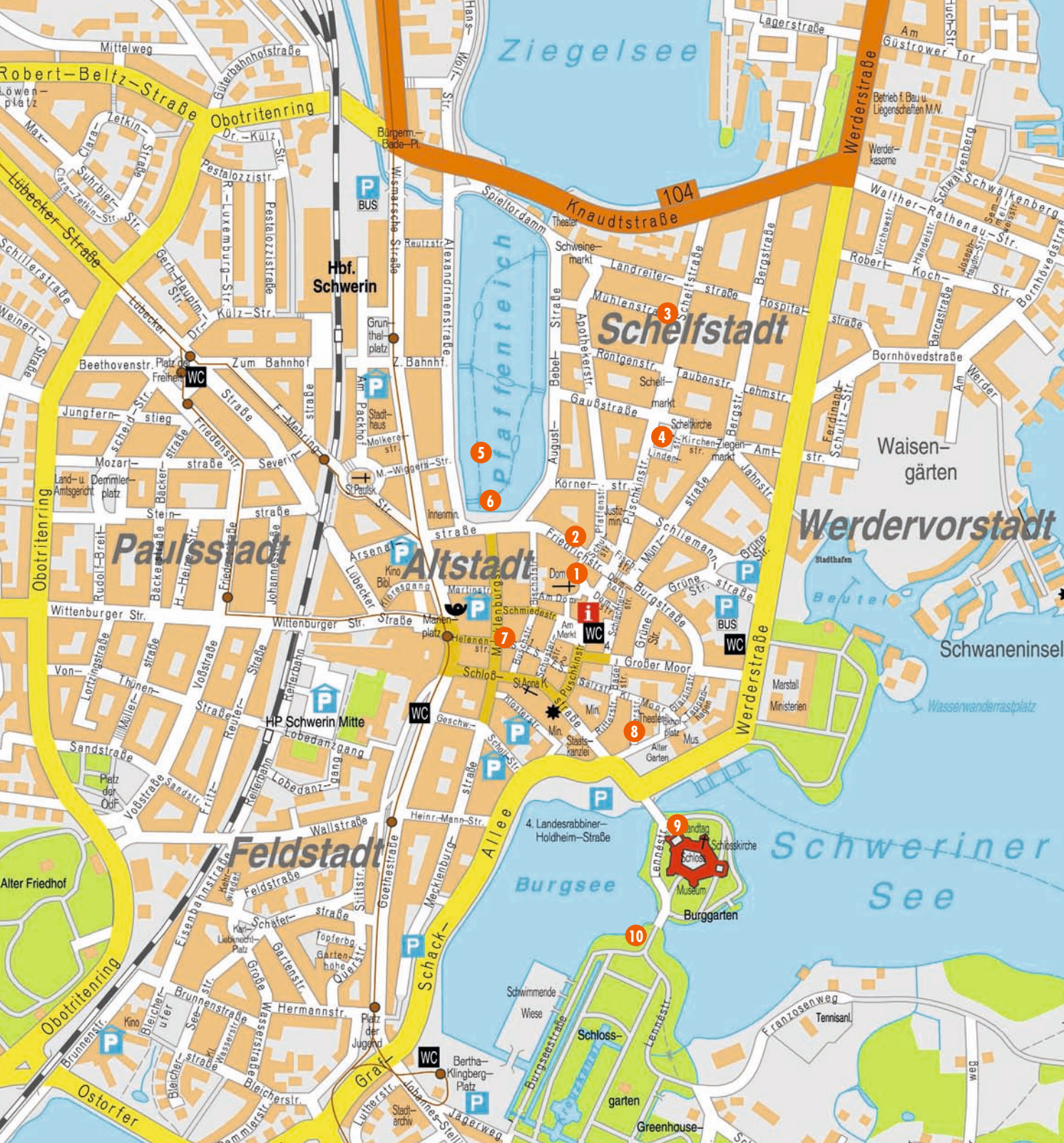




Schwerin citymap



SCHWERIN – The fascinating character of Schwerin lies in its natural abundance, unique culture and rich traditions, as well as in its fascinating architecture. It is the capital of the federal state of Mecklenburg West-Pomerania and the second oldest city east of the river Elbe.

Neo-classical edifices, traditional timbered houses, the magnificent brick cathedral and the “Alter Garten” square surround the heart of the city: the Schwerin Palace. Erected on an enchanted island, it seems to rise out of the water – the element which dominates a quarter of the area of the city.

Welcome to Schwerin – the “Venice of the North”!

SCHWERIN SEA SCAPE – Unspoiled nature and water as far as the eye can see. Fabulous castles, country residences and mills, endless avenues and top-class cultural events are all at hand to keep you entertained and relaxed to create the ultimate holiday.

The beautiful green landscape with its lakes, woods, meadows and marshes offers a unique experience of nature to every visitor. Numerous cycling tracks and walking trails guide nature lovers through the most popular and most romantic areas.

Whether it is sailing, surfing or canoeing: Schwerin’s numerous lakes provide the best conditions for any kind of water sport. Several resting places along the waterways and accommodation for an overnight stay, as well as campsites and surfing stations attract many visitors every year.

SHORT TOUR – BIG IMPRESSION

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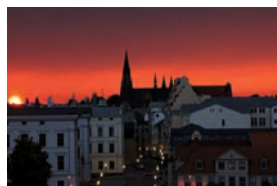
1 The MARKET SQUARE along with the town hall, beautiful gabled houses and the Lion Monument is the perfect place to set off from on a sightseeing tour. Behind the magnificent Pillar Building one can see the imposing Cathedral overlooking the city. Just a stone’s throw away you will find the “Schlachtermarkt” (historical slaughterer’s market) and the “Domhof” (old Cathedral Court).



6 The “MECKLENBURGSTRASSE” leads you directly from the “Pfaffenteich” to the centre of the Old Town. There is no better place to have a look around some of its shops and stores or to rest in one of its many cafés and restaurants.



2 The SCHWERIN CATHEDRAL: As early as 1260 its predecessor – a Roman church – was erected on this site. Now it stands as a Gothic brick cathedral. From the viewing platform in the 117,5 metres high tower you can enjoy a breathtaking view of the entire city. Additionally, the church owns an extensive collection of artworks from the Middle Ages and later.



7 The “SCHLOSSSTRASSE” runs from the “Marienplatz” square straight to the “Alter Garten” square. Walking along, you will see several prestigious buildings, such as the Rococo-House opposite the Café Prag, government buildings and the impressive neoclassical State Chancellery.



3 The “SCHELFSTADT” is a district characterised by its many timbered houses, the “Schelfmarkt” – a market square – and the baroque church “Schelfkirche”. Small shops and boutiques line the “Münzstraße” and invite you to take a closer look.



8 The “ALTER GARTEN” square is situated opposite the palace and used to be the fruit and vegetable garden of the ducal family. Surrounded by the magnificent buildings of the neo-baroque State Theatre, the State Museum, the Old Palais and the Victory Column, the “Alter Garten” square ranks among the most beautiful places of Northern Germany.



4 The “SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN HOUSE” in the “Puschkinstraße” has been extensively reconstructed and turned into the cultural centre of Schwerin, where exhibitions, readings, lectures and concerts are held.



9 The SCHWERIN PALACE once was the fortress of a Slavonic tribe resident here. Today it is the seat of the State Parliament of Mecklenburg West-Pomerania. Some of the rooms have been turned into a museum and are open to the public. Visitors can admire the Throne Hall, the Bel Étage, a collection of European porcelain and much more.



5 “PFAFFENTEICH” – There are various historical buildings dotted around this lake. Well worth seeing is the Arsenal (today Ministry of the Interior of Mecklenburg West-Pomerania), the “Küken-House”, the former city bath of Schwerin and townhouses along the south bank.



10 The baroque PALACE GARDEN captivates its visitors with its symmetric design. Its major features are the Cross Canal, statues of the famous artist Balthasar Permoser, a memorial of the grand duke and the white pavilion. The neighbouring Greenhouse Garden was built in the style of English park design.



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