

GUIDED TOUR of SACHSENHAUSEN MEMORIAL AND MUSEUM

The Sachsenhausen Memorial and Museum in Oranienburg just north of Berlin, preserves the site of one of the largest concentration camps established by the Nazi regime. Built in 1936 and intended as a "model" camp for training SS camp personnel, Sachsenhausen held political prisoners, Jewish people, Sinti and Roma, Jehovah's Witnesses, gay men, Soviet prisoners of war, and resistance fighters from across occupied Europe. Tens of thousands of prisoners died at the camp from forced labour, starvation, disease, medical experiments, and systematic execution.

After 1945 the site was used by Soviet occupying forces as Special Camp No. 7, and it later became a national memorial. Today, visitors can walk the grounds and see preserved and reconstructed structures, including the roll-call square, camp prison, and the site of "Station Z," the SS killing facility., alongside a permanent exhibition documenting the camp's history and the fates of those imprisoned there.

The BHA is organising a guided tour of the memorial site, led by a licensed guide. The tour will be in English and will last approximately 2 hours. A large part of the visit takes place outdoors and involves a fair amount of walking, so please dress for the weather and wear comfortable, sturdy shoes.

- DATE:** Saturday, 19 September 2026 at 1300 hrs.
- VENUE:** Sachsenhausen Memorial and Museum, Straße der Nationen 22, 16515 Oranienburg
- MEETING POINT:** Please arrive at the memorial's visitors' centre by 1240 hrs. Please wait outside the building while the BHA Board member registers at the visitors' centre.
- MEETING TIME:** **12.40 hrs**
Please check in with the on-duty BHA Board member.
- REGISTRATION:** Please reserve places by 18.00 on Wednesday, 16 September, preferably by e-mail to this address: EventsRegistration@bha-ev.org or call 030 8431 6659 (Answerphone).
 - Please respect other members & sign-up only if you are able to attend. Signing-up but not attending usually denies someone else a place.
 - Cost: Members no charge. Members' guests €5. Non-members €10.
 - Priority will be given to BHA Members.
- GETTING THERE:**
 - S-Bahn: S1 to Oranienburg (from central Berlin, approx. 45–50 minutes)
 - Then: Bus 804 or 821 towards the Memorial, or approx. 20-minute walk from Oranienburg station
- NOTES:**
 - This is a memorial site commemorating victims of Nazi persecution; the subject matter is sombre and the exhibition contains graphic historical material. The Memorial recommends the tour is not suitable for children under 14.
 - The visit is largely outdoors on uneven, gravelled ground. Please wear weather-appropriate clothing and sturdy footwear.

Forthcoming BHA dates:

- 10 Oct 26 - Guided tour of Das Neue Palais, Potsdam
- 14 Nov 26 - Guided tour of the Technical Museum
- 11 Dec 26 - BHA's annual Christmas Dinner

Members: Please wear your name badge if you have one. Children are welcome.

Suggestions from members are always welcome
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