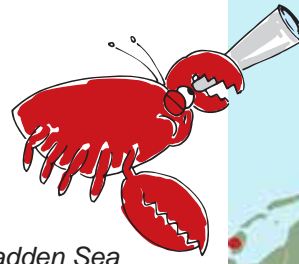


Wilhelmshaven

Maritime Flair at the Jade Bay

Exciting culture and nature experiences in the young city at the Wadden Sea



Senery and Surroundings

Located directly at the Jade Bay, one of the few great bays in the Wadden Sea, the naval city of Wilhelmshaven offers an ideal starting point for exciting class trips and encounters with the local nature and culture.

The "young" city has been founded in 1869 and has had tight ties with the history of the navy and shipping in Germany ever since.

Numerous exhibitions and museums offer insights into the diverse history of Wilhelmshaven; showing its first economic bloom, followed by the downfall and destruction of the town as well as the development to current-day international navy. The "Wattenmeerhaus Wilhelmshaven" offers exciting expeditions into the Wadden Sea: ranging from an interactive exhibition and exciting mudflat walks to laboratory-programmes, bird watching and bike-trips.

It is especially worthwhile to undertake a day-trip to the island of Spiekeroog with an original crab-cutter. On the way there you will pass by a seal sandbank. Furthermore there will be net-fishing and on the island you will find time to do extensive walks along the beach which will round off your North Sea experience.

Accommodation

Two group accommodations and a houseboat offer accommodation for groups. The next youth hostel is located in Jever (appx. 20 km afar).



Getting there & around

By train via Bremen and Oldenburg (Oldb) to Wilhelmshaven station. Further with public bus or transfer shuttle to the accommodation. (Travel time from Bremen: appx. 1.5 hours.)

We recommend to rent bikes at the location.

Sample Programme



5-Day-Programme

1st day:
Arrival around noon, first orientation. Later: greeting and introduction to the programme of the National Park Centre "Das Wattenmeerhaus".

2nd day:
Am: Mudflat excursion at "Südstrand" followed by a water-lab programme in the "Wattenmeerhaus".

Pm: Leisure time; opportunity to visit the numerous museums and exhibitions. As an alternative you can attend the video-project of the Wattenmeerhaus.

3rd day:

Day-trip to the island of Spiekeroog. With an expert guide you will walk to Spiekeroog over the mudflats and then return by ship. On the ship you get to participate in net-fishing and you will pass by seal sand banks.

On Spiekeroog itself you will have time to explore the island, walk along the beach and participate in driftline and dune expeditions. Of course there will be some free time to spend on your own pleasure. In the evening there will be crafting with the items collected from the driftline.

4th day:

Nature and culture around the Jade Bay: Accompanied by a guide you can undertake a bike-trip to the historical Banter fishing village and to Mariensiel including a visit to the salt marsh path close by Cäcilienroden. Continuing the trip alongside the salt marshes of the Jade Bay to Dangast and back to Wilhelmshaven.

5th day:

Visit to the research centre "Terramare" or to the Common Tern colonie at lake Banter (set up by the ornithological station "Helgoland")

Later: Possible further visits to museums. Departure.





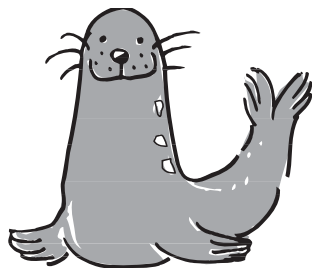
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Accommodation

- **Group Accommodation "Piratennest"**
Ebertstraße 88a
D - 26382 Wilhelmshaven
t +49 (0) 44 21 - 40 97 79, f - 44 183
jugendgaestehaus.piratennest@ewetel.net
www.piratenmuseum.de
40 beds, full board
- **International Group Accommodation CVJM**
Marktstraße 211-215
D - 26382 Wilhelmshaven
t +49 (0) 44 21 - 15 15 32, f - 15 15 55
kibiru@cvjm-whv.de
www.cvjm-whv.de
56 beds, full board available
- **Jever Youth Hostel**
Dr. Fritz Blume Weg 4 (former Jahnstraße)
D - 26441 Jever
t +49 (0) 44 61 - 90 92 02, f - 90 92 09
jh-jever@djh-unterweser-ems.de
www.jugendherberge.de
138 beds, full board available
- **Marinejugend Wilhelmshaven e.V.**
Houseboat:
Bontekai
D - 26382 Wilhelmshaven
40 bed, full board

Contact:
Ölhafendamm 46
D - 26348 Wilhelmshaven

t +49 (0) 44 21 - 30 32 76



Getting there & around

- **Train:**
From Germany: DB-group travel service
t +49 (0) 18 05 - 99 55 11.
Timetable & fares: www.bahn.de
From Denmark: DSB group travel service
t +45 70 - 13 14 15
Timetable & fares: www.dsb.dk
From The Netherlands:
Timetable & fares: www.ns.nl
Your national IWSS Focal Point can help you find the best group arrangement.
info.nl@iwss.org

Regional railway service:
www.nordwestbahn.de
- **Bus (Stadtwerke Wilhelmshaven):**
Schedule and price information:
www.swww.de
- **Ferry**
By ferry from Eckwarderhörne to Wilhelmshaven
<http://reederei-warrings.de>

Programme & Activities

IWSS-Programme

- **National Park Visitor Center**
Das Wattenmeerhaus
Südstrand 110b
D - 26382 Wilhelmshaven

Details & prices on request:
t +49 (0) 44 21 - 91 07 33, f - 91 07 12
info@wattenmeerhaus.de
www.wattenmeerhaus.de

Opening hours:
1.4 - 30.10.: daily 10.00 - 18.00 h
1.11 - 31.3.: Tue - Sun 10.00 - 17.00 h

Tip: Ask the centre for an individual IWSS-programme!

Sightseeing in Wilhelmshaven

- **Coastal Museum Wilhelmshaven**
Weserstraße 58
D - 26382 Wilhelmshaven
Opening hours
1.4 - 30.9.: Mon - Sun 10.00 - 18.00 h
1.10 - 31.3.: Tue - Sun 10.00 - 17.00 h

Guided tours: t +49 (0) 44 21 - 400 940
- **German Navy Museum**
Südstrand 125
D - 26382 Wilhelmshaven
Opening hours:
1.4 - 30.9.: daily 10.00 - 18.00 h
1.10 - 31.3.: daily 10.00 - 17.00 h
Guided tours: t +49 (0) 44 21 - 41 061
info@marinemuseum.de
- **Aquarium Wilhelmshaven**
Südstrand 123 / Helgoland Kai
D - 26382 Wilhelmshaven
Opens daily: 10.00 - 18.00h
Guided tours: t +49 (0) 44 21 - 50 66 444

info@bullermeck.de
www.aquarium-wilhelmshaven.de

Oceanis

- Bontekai 63
D - 26382 Wilhelmshaven

Further Information

- **Touristinfo Wilhelmshaven**
Nordseepassage
Bahnhofsplatz 1
D - 26382 Wilhelmshaven

Opening hours:
Mon-Fri 10.00 - 20.00h
Sat 10.00 - 18.00h
t +49 (0) 44 21 - 91 30 00, f - 91 300 10
tourist-info@whv-freizeit.de
www.whv-touristik.de
- **Nature & National Park**
www.wattenmeer-nationalpark.de
www.wattenmeerhaus.de (de)

