Bremen - a city with many faces

Bremen, the pulsating heart of northwest Germany and home to the world-famous Town Musicians, possesses many faces. Its history, tradition, high-tech achievements, scientific feats and innovation in space research unite this multifaceted city in an exciting ground breaking experience. Rediscovering Bremen has never been more revealing as enchantment with the 1,200-year-old hanseatic city has been going strong, from the leisurely Schlachte riverside promenade to the unique Universum Science Centre Bremen.

**Historic Bremen:**

Nowhere is the city's vibrant heritage more remarkable than at its magnificent Rathaus (UNESCO World Heritage Site), designed in a distinct Weser Renaissance style, the Schnoor, Bremen’s oldest surviving quarter, the quirky make-up of traditional Böttcherstrasse, the city’s Cathedral and the imposing statue of Knight Roland on the historic Market Square. And of course, there’s the popular representation of the famous Town Musicians from the fabled story by the Brothers Grimm. Yet there are many more new attractions that bring added verve to the city’s established landmarks.

**Maritime Bremen:**

The new Schlachte waterfront walkway right in the heart of the hanseatic city invites locals and visitors alike to promenade along the River Weser. You can savour the relaxed atmosphere while breaking your visit at one of the many nearby international restaurants or while enjoying a view of numerous vessels close by. Altogether, some 2,000 open-air venues with a maritime theme encourage nearly 2 million visitors to gather round the Schlachte each year. Vessels of all descriptions are moored along the river's quayside,
ranging from the three-masted pancake frigate ‘Admiral Nelson’ to the historic reconstruction of a Hanseatic-era cog ship from the 13th and 14th centuries.

**Bremen – Discover the new Universum®!**

From March 2015 the Universum® Bremen will be showing its brand-new attractive exhibition. On more than 4000 m² of exhibition space visitors will be able to immerse themselves the world of science at first hand. More than 300 stations in the exhibition areas Technology, Humans and Nature are waiting to be discovered and explored. An exciting day out for young and old at any time of the year!

**Extraterrestrial Bremen:**

Like a brightly lit star in the sky, the International Space Station is currently being assembled in orbit, designed to serve scientists as space lab in the near future. Visitors can join a tour that takes them behind the scenes of the construction of full-sized orbital workshops, stages of booster rockets and the wing of Airbus airliners. Since Bremen has been at the cutting edge of aviation industry for the past 70 years, the tour will also stop round the ultramodern airport’s Bremen Hangar, showcasing two authentic vintage aircrafts. There will be few questions on aerospace technology that will remain unanswered.

**Green Bremen:**

The Rhododendron Park has built up a reputation as a key attraction far beyond the hanseatic city. The park already displays some 680 out of the world’s 1,000 wild rhododendrons and another 1,000 cultivated specimens for each rhododendron and azalea species. Since summer 2003, botanika adds to this botanic diversity, unveiling a unique flowerscape experience that will invite exploration of three landscaped complexes: Discovery Centre, Himalayas/Borneo and a Japanese Garden. The authentically laid-out landscapes will open up natural habitats of blooming rhododendrons amid small footbridges, stretches of water, a waterfall and rocky outcrops, thus giving a better understanding of the unique relationship between man, culture and nature.
**Culturally vibrant Bremen:**

The Bremen Theatre, the Shakespeare Company or the city’s many museums, like the Bremen Art Museum that rates with the best-known foundation museums or the Neues Museum Weserburg, Germany’s largest museum for contemporary art. Bremen lives a culturally diverse life. There’s something for everyone, from popular musical productions and celebrated variété right to the city’s own theatre ship.

**Tailor-made Bremen:**

Have the Bremen Town Musicians or the scenic Schnoor Quarter always been on your list of must see attractions? Have you ever been wondering how astronauts spend their time in space? Has a visit to the artists’ village of Worpswede alongside some more energetic activities ever crossed your mind? Or what about a themed itinerary with a culinary bent or a cruise along the River Weser to Bremen’s twinned seaport of Bremerhaven? From cultural highlights and sports events to maritime sights. In Bremen you can fill your days with so many exciting activities that you will be spoilt for choice.

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