



„For me, Hohenschönhausen is like an X-ray. It shows what life was like inside GDR society.“

Gilbert Furian

How to get here

Berlin-Hohenschönhausen Memorial

Genslerstraße 66

13055 Berlin, Federal Republic of Germany

- By tramway M5: from Alexanderplatz S-Bahn/U-Bahn or Landsberger Allee S-Bahn (toward Hohenschönhausen/Zingster Straße) to Freienwalder Straße
- By tramway M6: from Alexanderplatz S-Bahn/U-Bahn or Landsberger Allee S-Bahn/U-Bahn (toward Hellersdorf/Riesaer Straße) to Genslerstraße
- By tramway 16: from Frankfurter Allee S-Bahn/U-Bahn (toward Ahrensfelde) to Genslerstraße
- By bus no. 256: from Lichtenberg S-Bahn/U-Bahn (toward Wartenberg) to Große-Leege-Straße/Freienwalder Straße



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The Stasi Prison

Visitor information



Memorial

Hohenschönhausen

Between April 1951 and January 1990, the East German Ministry of State Security (MfS) used the prison in Berlin-Hohenschönhausen as a central detention center to hold thousands of political prisoners. Among them were many well-known GDR opposition activists. Prisoners faced physical violence followed by psychological torture, and were strictly cut off from the outside world and all social contact.

Today, former political prisoners and historians show visitors around the Berlin-Hohenschönhausen Memorial to commemorate the injustice committed in this place. Tours reveal the history of the site, which was used as a Soviet Special Camp after the end of the Second World War. From 1946, the basement secretly housed the central Soviet remand center for East Germany, in the „submarine“. Speakers recount the 44-year history of political persecution, and as well as the Stasi's arbitrary approach to imprisonment for different inmates.

Exhibition

Imprisoned in Hohenschönhausen

Testimonials of political persecution, from 1945 to 1989

Open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Free entry



Educational Visits

The Education Center (Pädagogische Arbeitsstelle, PAS) runs a wide range of seminars and project days for schools and other educational institutions.

Education Center

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The Coordinating Contemporary Witness Office (Koordinierendes Zeitzeugenbüro) organizes visits by contemporary witnesses to schools nationwide and free of charge. www.ddr-zeitzeuge.de

Guided Tours

Tours for individual visitors

March to October

In German: daily, on the hour from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In English: daily at 10:40 a.m., 12:40 p.m. and 2:40 p.m.

In Russian: Sundays at 2:15 p.m.

November to February

In German: Monday to Friday 11 a.m, 1 p.m and 3 p.m
Saturday / Sunday, every hour from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In English: daily at 10:40 a.m., 12:40 p.m. and 2:40 p.m.

In Russian: Sundays at 2:15 p.m.

Outdoor tour and restricted district in German:
Fridays at 2:15 p.m.

Tour with prison hospital visit:
Wednesdays at 1 p.m.

Tour, incl. „Grotewohl-Express“ prisoner transport:
Thursdays at 1 p.m.

Tour prices: 6€, Reduced price 3€, School students 1€

Group Tours

(by prior arrangement for 7 or more visitors)
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