Also visit the fishing town of Peitz during the annual events:

• the Fishermen's Party (always at the second weekend in August)

• Peitz carp harvest (every year in October)



Our offer includes additionally:

• boat rides on the lake "Hälterteich": the direct and most interesting opportunity to experience the lake area is during the season from April to September

catching fish at the fishing lake of Peitz

• excursions to the power plant Jänschwalde: On the territory of the coal-power-station there are lakes for the fish culture used for fish farming

• the town of Peitz with its historic town centre and fortress tower: The giant fortress tower has dominated the historic centre for many years till today

Detailed information can be received at the promotion association "Hüttenwerk Peitz e.V."



Several gastronomic facilities welcome visitors at the area of the steel and iron works:

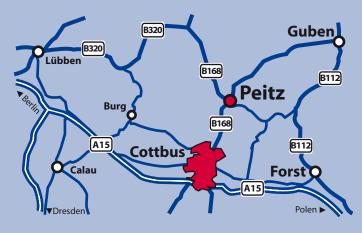
Restaurant "Karpfenklause" ("Carp Pub") open throughout the year Tel. 03 56 01 - 8 92 84 "Fischerkate am Angelteich" ("Fisherman's cottage at the fishing lake") open from April to October

Our address:

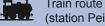
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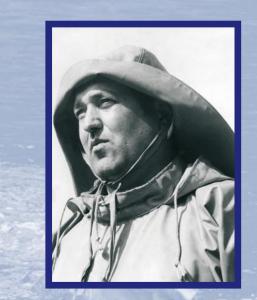
- This is the way you can find us: at the round-about turn in the direction of Heinersbrück/Jänschwalde and follow the signs to "Hüttenmuseum/Karpfenklause", there is a car park, including parking spaces for coaches
- Bus routes 21, 29 & 77 (to Lieberose/Goyatz or Guben) or - coming from there - to the direction of Cottbus, the way will take 20 minutes of walking Train route RE 11 Cottbus – Guben – Frankfurt/Oder



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# Adventure area **Lakes of Peitz**



**Tourist options and** museums in Germany's largest lake district



#### The museum

The **fishing museum of Peitz** is the newest project on the territory of the steel and iron works and is situated in the left part of its building. This historic piece of architecture houses an exhibition about the industrial history in the Peitz county. The furnace hall with its imposing thick board roof construction from the 19th century makes up the most architecturally attractive centre of the building and the entire area of the steel and iron works.

The **fishing museum** was opened on March  $24^{th} 2006$  after a construction time of about one year.

Nearly 200 sqm of exhibition area cover all fields of the inland fishing industry (lake cultivation, river and lake fishing, private fishing) with the help of numerous exhibits. They show the historic development of this branch of economy as well as the unique flora and fauna of the lake area of Peitz.



Traditionally, the Peitz steel and iron works with its convenient location directly next to the lake area, near the works museum and with numerous tourist attractions, has developed into a popular destination for tourist groups and day tourists from the industrial conurbation areas of Dresden and Berlin and the holiday resort "Spreewald." Other than guided tours, the main attractions of the promotion association and its cooperation partners for additional activities around the Peitz steel and iron works, are used by tourists.

Committed to our good reputation we want to outline the extended spectrum of options for tourists and travel agents with the publication of this brochure.

### The surroundings

The **fishing museum of Peitz** is situated in the largest joined lake area in Germany. It is a man-made cultivated area whose origins date back to the 16th century.

At that time the muddy grounds were discovered to be a valuable source of natural resources. Considerable amounts of iron ore, which were processed in the Electorate Steel and Iron Works of Peitz founded in 1550, are there. It provided the Brandenburg-Prussian Army as well as the Fortresses of Spandau, Küstrin and Peitz. The contemporary furnace hall was erected from 1809 to 1810.



Peitz has been a symbol for successful fish culture since the late 16th century. The large fishing lakes were of economic and military importance for the fortress town Peitz.

In half a millennium the lake area has developed into a paradise for birds and fish. Nature-lovers enjoy using the opportunity to watch the majestic fish eagle. The area is also considered a sanctuary for protected species, e.g. the red belly toad.



#### Discover and experience the Peitz lake area

For some years the area of the **Peitz steel and iron works** has been developing into a complex tourist attraction. A wide variety of activities attract the various age groups.

The **furnace hall** contains working technology, which can be seen in the foundry by excited visitors who are interested in such a technical memorial. The two exhibition areas in the **steel and iron works and fishing museum** are the heart of the attraction. In summer they are also used as a place for cabaret or jazz shows.



The **"Prof. Schäperclaus – lake walking path of Peitz"** enables walkers to discover the lake area on their own. This well-established path is often used by cyclists, too. Skaters appreciate the 2.3 km distance between the settlements Peitz and Maust.

Cooperating with the firm Peitzer Edelfisch GmbH the promotion association "Hüttenwerk Peitz" regularly organizes **guided tours through the lake area** on Sundays. As another option groups can visit and explore the unique ecosystem of the lakes during weekdays. Depending on the route, the season and the content (birds, traditions of the fishing industry in the area or else) the guided tours last from 60 to 120 minutes.

