

# Pillnitz Palace & Park

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## Ease and magic of blossoms

A 15-m-high fountain rises triumphantly in the sunlight, surrounded by green lawn compartments, old trees and colorful flower carpets: The pleasure garden at Pillnitz Castle & Park receives its visitors royally, indeed. What used to be a pleasure castle and later summer residence of the Saxon royals served as a venue of glittering weddings and festivities in Augustus the Strong's time. Today, museums have moved into the castle, and the park is one of Saxony's most beautiful resorts for locals and tourists from all over the world. Pillnitz Castle & Park is one of the most important chinoise palace estates in Europe. The ensemble of architecture and landscaping art lies at the edge of the state capital of Dresden, before sunny vineyards that are harmoniously embedded into the riverscape of the Elbe River valley. The property showcases perfectly landscaped gardens with plants from every continent. Discover the fascinating park, the Palm House and exotic plants, for instance Saxony's oldest orange tree and the widely famed 250-year-old Pillnitz Camellia.

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### TIP

Visit the Museum of Decorative Arts and the Palace Museum. Enjoy fascinating exhibitions on design, the arts and the castle's history.



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Castle Park: Open all year round from 6:00 am to nightfall  
Palm Tree House and Visitor Center: Nov to Mar 10:00 am – 4:00 pm | Apr to Oct 9 am – 6:00 pm  
Museums: Late April to early Nov: Tue – Sun 10:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Camellia House: Mid-Feb to mid-Apr: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm



**Tip**

Go aboard a steamboat with the Saxon Steamboat Company in Dresden and approach the Pillnitz ensemble on a gentle Elbe River cruise.

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## The Versailles of Saxony

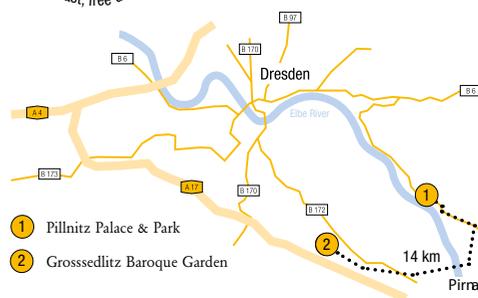
The view is just breathtaking! When you enter the Grosssedlitz Baroque Garden, you can let your eye wander across the entire estate - wide flights of stairs, numerous trick fountains, exotic plants, more than 60 Baroque sculptures in sandstone and almost 400 potted plants and bitter orange saplings decorate a magnificent Baroque park estate, majestically nestling between two opposing hills. The Baroque garden is impressive for its collection of bitter orange trees, one of the largest in the German-speaking region. Once, up to 1,250 orange saplings survived the winter in the Grosssedlitz orangeries. Today, there are still more than a hundred of the trees with their golden fruit bearing witness to the Saxon culture of orangeries. The rulers of bygone times gathered exotic plants as a symbol of their power and glamor - an invitation to take a pleasurable stroll. This is where the French and Italian Baroque are uniquely linked. The Baroque garden has fundamentally not changed since 1732, and what we see today is only about a third of what had originally been planned. From mid-May to September, bitter lemon trees adorn the garden - an unparalleled experience of fragrance. Lined up precisely, they highlight the Baroque architecture of the garden. During the summer months, guests favor the Upper Orangery as a location for weddings and other celebrations.



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### How to get there

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A17: Exit Pirna

2 A17: Exit Heidenau, follow B172 toward Bad Schandau

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