

Altzella Monastery Park



The heritage of the Cistercians

Altzella poses riddles. What kind of place is it? When you come for a visit, you will pass the monastery wall and find yourself inside some sort of outlying farm estate. Then you will enter a medieval monastery Refectory, and the walkaround will eventually take you out into the fairy-tale-like park. Old, gnarled trees, magic tranquility, medieval ruins - the romantic park had already enthused artists, such as Caspar David Friedrich and Ludwig Richter. And it has been enchanting ever since. The history of Altzella is multi-faceted. Come and explore it!

What used to be a Cistercian abbey was one of the most important monasteries in the Middle Ages in Central Saxony. In 1162, Margrave Otto the Rich endowed the monastery as a family burial place. Until it was dissolved in 1540, it had seen many guests come and go. Today, some of the buildings can be used again - and offer to host celebrations, meetings, conferences, concerts and weddings. There is even a monastery hostel for overnight stays the Cistercian way - simple, in piece and contemplation.



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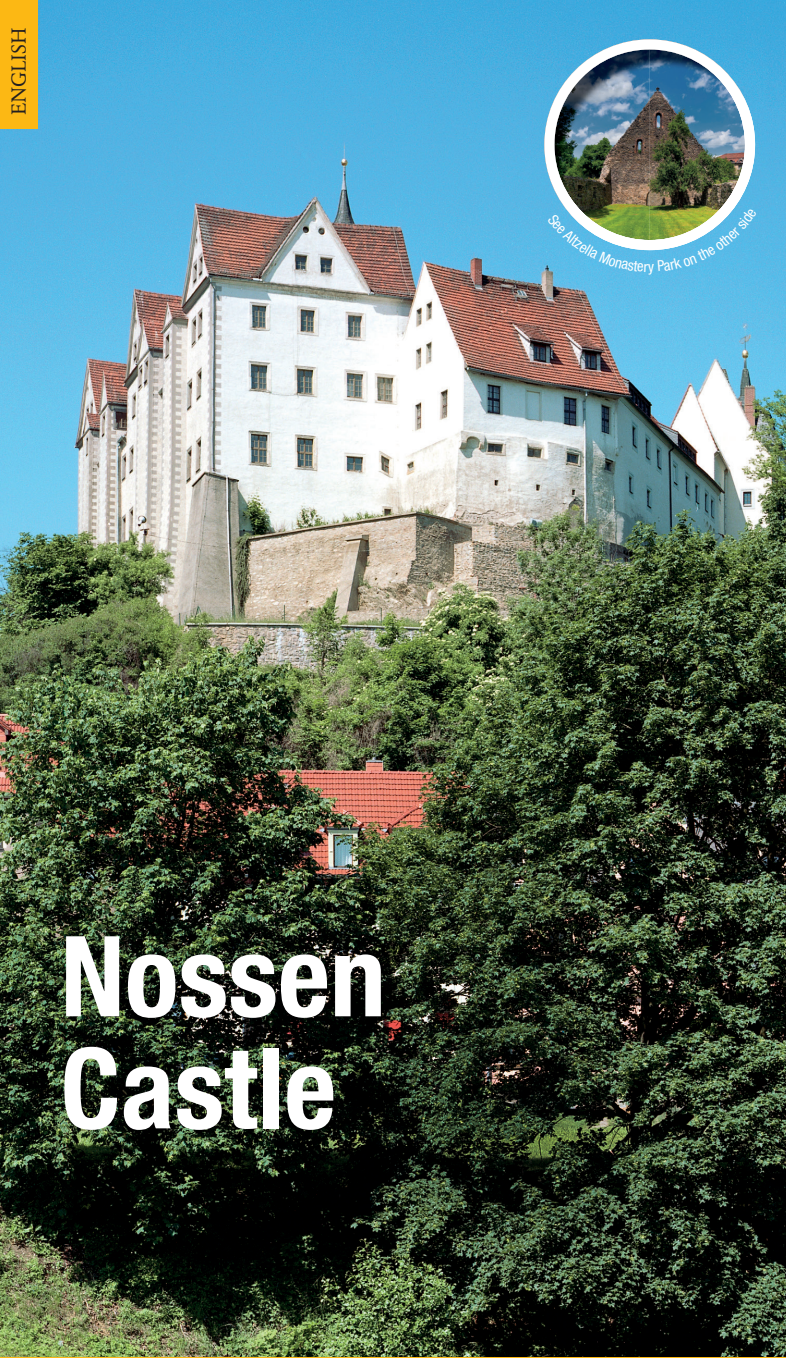
Tip

Have an overnight stay at the monastery hostel and feel monastery life in close-up!
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Sat, Sun, public holidays: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Prior to your visit, always inform yourself on our website about our current opening hours, please.



See Altzella Monastery Park on the other side

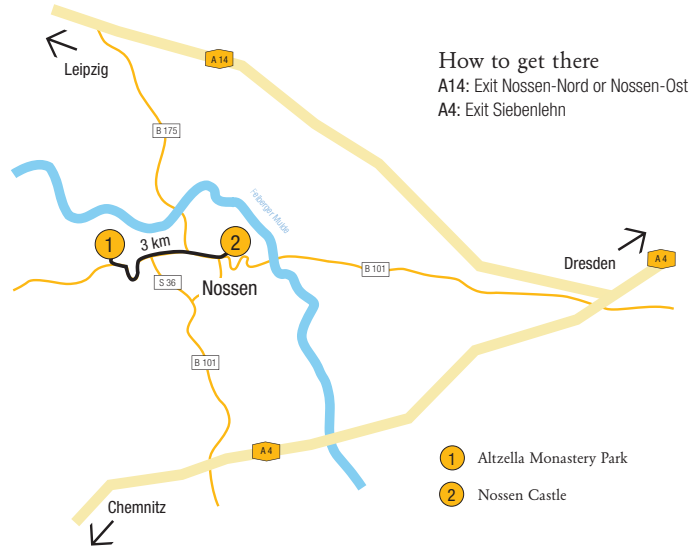


Nossen Castle

In the footsteps of Saxon nobility

Like a white dove, Nossen Castle looks down over the valley of the Freiburger Mulde River near Meissen. The quietly resting renaissance castle has seen an eventful history. It used to be a knight's castle, the seat of the abbey of the nearby Altzella Monastery and an electoral hunting lodge. In the Electoral and Fireplace Room, you can feel its past splendor. The exhibitions tell of its changeful history, of noble guests, such as Napoleon and Countess Cosel – beautiful and dangerous mistress to Elector Augustus the Strong – and mark the traces of Saxon noble families far off the electoral court. The history of the Saxon nobility is the main theme at Nossen Castle. In the future, an entire museum will report on the history of Saxon nobility.

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How to get there
 A14: Exit Nossen-Nord or Nossen-Ost
 A4: Exit Siebenlehn

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Tip

Cash benefit with the combined ticket
 Why not combine your visit of the castle with a visit to the former Altzella Cistercian Monastery, only 3 km off.