# **Around the castle**

The **town's castle**, the **Schloss "vor" Husum (10)** - which translates as the Castle outside Husum, is actually located in the town. Built in the 16th century in the style of the Dutch renaissance as a ducal residence by the North Sea, it originally stood outside the town border. As the town grew, the castle became part of it. Today Schleswig-Holstein's only castle on the North Sea coast is famous as an international culture centre and venue. Every year in August the brilliant Festival "Rarities of Piano Music" is held here. The purple crocus flowers in the **castle park** mark the start of spring. When **several millions of crocuses** transform the castle park into a purple ocean, Husum elects its Crocus Majesty to celebrate the arrival of spring in North Frisia.

There is plenty more to explore and discover around the castle: the **Poppenspäler Museum (11)** features the fantastic world of puppetry; the **Ostenfeld Farmhouse (Ostenfelder Bauernhaus) (12)** is Germany's oldest open-air museum and provides fascinating historical insight into the region's agricultural life and traditions. The **Christmas House (Weihnachtshaus) (13)** is bound to bring a sparkle to the eyes of young and old alike with its magical exhibition of Christmas culture. The Danish culture centre in Husum, the **Husumhus (14)**, is a lively intercultural centre.

## Schobüll

What a sight! Stroll over to the Schobüll district of Husum, where there isn't a North Sea dike in sight and the view extends far out to the sea. The **pier (Seebrücke Schobüll) (15)** in the World Heritage site and Wadden Sea National Park is the ideal starting point for walks above the North Sea or above the seabed, depending on whether the tide is in or out. The charming little "Chapel by the Sea" (Kirchlein am Meer) (16) hosts amazing concerts. The lush North Frisian countryside around Schobüll is best explored on foot, letting you savour the unique combination of sea and tidal flats, salt meadows and marsh, forest and heath in a leisurely manner.

# **Husum Exhibition & Convention Centre**

As a town with "inspiring horizons", Husum enjoys an international reputation as a key centre for renewable energy. Since 30 years, the wind energy trade fair **HUSUM Wind** takes place here and made the town the 'wind capital' of the world and Schleswig-Holstein's busiest location for trade fairs. In 2010, a new multifunctional conference and event centre, **NordseeCongressCentrum (NCC)**, was added to the **Husum Exhibition Centre (Messe Husum) (17)**, meaning that Husum now offers even more space for shows, conferences, congresses, meetings and cultural events.

For more information visit: www.nordsee-congress.de (in German)



# Guided tours in Husum

# Discover Husum's hidden treasures

How about exploring Husum in a guided tour of the town? **Husum's expert guides** provide entertaining and informative tours around the harbour town, revealing its hidden treasures. Or why not follow a night watchman as he patrols dimly lit lanes? This tour is available in spring and autumn/winter.

Dates for the guided tours and walks are available at the tourist information office or at www.husum-tourismus.de/Stadtfuehrungen. Bespoke town walks, themed tours, event modules and guided excursions are available for groups also in English.

#### **Culture Trail**

If you have a little more time to explore Husum on your own, why not try the **Husum Culture Trail (Kulturpfad)**? An information brochure is available from the tourist information office in Husum.

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# Welcome to Husum

# **Moin Moin!**

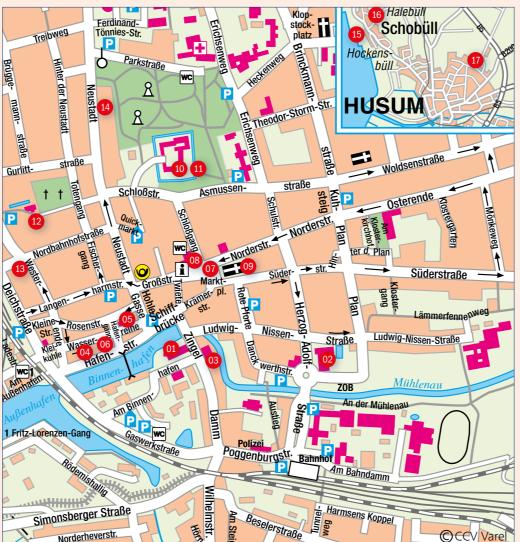
Husum is a charming and **lively harbour town on the coast of the North Sea** in Schleswig-Holstein, Northern Germany – cosy and cosmopolitan, innovative and forward-looking, maritime and natural, full of culture and....original and typically North Frisian.

With 23,000 inhabitants, Husum is the region's main town and the urban centre for North Frisia in the German-Danish border region. Husum is a "child of the storm floods": in 1362 when the "Grote Mandränke" storm flooded wide areas along the coast, the insignificant little settlement suddenly found itself with direct access to the sea and rapidly became an important trading centre. As gateway to the North Frisian islands and halligen, this charming little town with its colourful cultural life and North Sea flair has become famous and popular far beyond the borders of Schleswig-Holstein.

For literature enthusiasts Husum is synonymous with the great German poet and author **Theodor Storm**, who immortalised his native town in the poem "The Town" (Die Stadt). His most popular work, "The Rider on the White Horse" (Der Schimmelreiter) has been translated into many languages.

Day-trippers and guests staying overnight appreciate the town's central location on the coast of the unique Wadden Sea, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site** since 2009. The **Husum Bay holiday area**, with Husum at its centre, is one of the most varied tourism destinations in Schleswig-Holstein.

Discover Husum and the Schleswig-Holstein Wadden Sea National Park!



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This is only a brief selection of things to see and do in Husum. For more ideas, visit Tourist Information Husum or go to www.husum-tourismus.de

# Around the harbour

Life in the North Sea town of Husum is centred on the busy little harbour. Twice a day the North Sea tides bring fresh water into the town. The town hall (Rathaus) (01) stands on the spot where shipbuilding once dominated life in the harbour. Take a short stroll around the picturesque inner harbour and watch the tide coming and going. Visit the North Frisia Museum Husum (Nordfriesland Museum. Nissenhaus Husum) (02) and the North Frisian Museum of Shipping (Schiffahrtsmuseum Nordfriesland) (03) to explore the world of ships and shipbuilding, storm floods and dike building. The Nationalpark-Haus Husum (04) is a gateway centre for the fascinating and unique biosphere of the Wadden Sea National Park, the largest national park between the North Cape and Sicily.

On Wasserreihe you will find the **Theodor Storm Centre (Theodor-Storm-Zentrum) (05)**, dedicated to the town's most famous son, the poet Theodor Storm (1817-1888). Storm immortalised Husum in literary form, and his books have been translated into many languages worldwide. The "**Speicher Husum**" (**06)** enjoys a great reputation as a lively culture centre. Right next door, **restaurants and cafés** serve culinary specialities from the region – don't miss the opportunity to try some fresh North Sea shrimps! Walk down to the **outer harbour** where the town's maritime industry is based and watch the shrimp boats and merchant ships. In any season, an excursion to the beach at the dike of the North Sea (**Dockkoog**, approx. 2 km west of the centre) is a fabulous opportunity for a walk along the dike or a re-freshing dip into the North Sea.

# **Around the market square**

Only a few steps away from the harbour you will find that Husum turns into a busy market town. The focal point for shopping in Husum is the market square, a historic trading place that lies a few metres higher than the harbour - to keep it safe from any North Sea storm floods. The **Tine Fountain (Tine-Brunnen) (07)** on the market square is the main meeting place in this intimate "west coast metropolis". One of the oldest buildings in Husum is the **historic town hall (Historisches Rathaus) (08)** on the north side of the square. The classicist church **St Marien (Stadtkirche St. Marien) (09)**, which is visible from afar, was designed by C.F. Hansen, a former Danish chief building director, who also designed the cathedral in Copenhagen. On Thursdays and Saturdays **North Frisia's biggest farmers' market** is held on the square, and people come from far and wide to do their shopping and enjoy a chat. An abundance of regional products is sold here, including local cheeses and fresh fish.

There are numerous **charming shops** in Husum: the relaxed atmosphere and wide choice of fashion and clothes shops, boutiques and specialist stores makes a shopping trip to Husum an inspiring experience – with the added benefit of the invigorating North Sea breeze.