



EISENACH

Die WARTBURGSTADT



Dear Guests,

Welcome to Eisenach, the city of the Wartburg Castle. We wish you a pleasant stay. It will be exciting and eventful if you take advantage of the cultural opportunities. You can follow the footsteps of Bach and Luther, visit the Wartburg Castle – a UNESCO world cultural heritage site – and explore Germany's largest contiguous villa district in the southern part of the town.

Eisenach is a rather small town of about 42,000 residents in the middle of Germany. It combines some highlights of German and European cultural history and offers a wide variety of tourist options.

Due to the large number of duties and tasks arising from the special role of Eisenach, the City Council decided to levy a tax for the advancement of culture (a tourism promotion fee) on overnight stays starting in 2012. We sincerely hope for your understanding in this matter and ask you to contribute to some of the expenditures. This way you are helping to support for example the Thuringian Museum on the premises of the City Palace, the Villa Reuter and the Prediger Church so that they can continue to be open to the public.

Guests who are in staying in Eisenach for absolutely necessary/obligatory business reasons are exempt from this levy. This also applies to people under the age of 18.

Stays for private reasons include:

- vacations, holiday and educational trips, and/ or recreational activities
- attending cultural, sports and/or recreational events
- visiting friends and relatives; booking family celebrations
- personal shopping trips

Stays for absolutely necessary business reasons include:

- participating in work-related events, such as further education and training, lectures, seminars, congresses etc.
- stays of pupils age 18 and above, as part of school activities; also for students whose stay in Eisenach is due to a compulsory training as part of their studies
- business trips on behalf of the employer or official authorities of public service
- business-related trips or business appointments (e.g. sales representatives, doctors, lawyers, salesmen, realtors/estate agents, expert witnesses etc.)
- delivery or collection of goods or the provision of services as part of commercial, industrial and/or skilled activities (e.g. service technicians, forwarding agents etc.)

In order to prove that you are staying in Eisenach for absolutely necessary business reasons please confirm this fact to your place of accommodation/hospitality establishment **prior** to your paid-for stay. Show or send a suitable document as a proof to your place of accommodation such as an employer's certificate or a training certificate etc. or you can declare the absolutely necessary business reasons for your stay yourself by signing the official form of the city of Eisenach.

Thank you for your understanding.

The municipality of Eisenach