

late in your home country. More information is available at www.auswaertiges-amt.de

Extensions of stay for patients and persons accompanying them can be arranged by calling the Bonn immigration office (Ausländeramt der Stadt Bonn) on +49 228 - 77 63 39.

Practical information for your outward journey and stay

Getting to Bonn and getting around the city

Bonn is easily reachable by rail from Köln/Bonn, Düsseldorf and Frankfurt airports. The motorway connections are also very good. In the city and surrounding area there is a dense network of local public transport services. More at www.vrsinfo.de

Cash

On arrival in Germany or on departure from Germany, travellers carrying cash (e.g. notes or coins in euros or other currencies, cheques, marketable securities) with a total value of 10,000 euros or more must declare it to German customs in writing without being asked. Travellers arriving by air must use the red channel, where the completed cash declaration form can be presented. Follow the relevant signs. More information is available at www.zoll.de

Importing goods

Strict rules apply to importing goods, pharmaceutical and food into Germany from non-EU countries. Please ask your tour operator, the airline you use or a German consulate or embassy for information about restrictions, permit requirements and import bans.

Waste separation and disposal

In hotels and guesthouses, waste disposal is normally handled by room service. In the case of other forms of accommodation (e.g. serviced apartments), please ask the provider what arrangements are in place for waste disposal. As a general principle, recyclables (e.g. paper, glass and plastics) should be collected separate from residual waste.

Climate & weather

Bonn enjoys a temperate climate: winters bring little snow, the average temperature in January is 2.0° Celsius and the average temperature in July 18.7° Celsius.

Electricity

230 V, 50 Hz, European power plug

Emergency numbers

Fire, emergency medical and rescue services: 112; Police: 110.

Misuse of emergency numbers is a criminal offence.

Opening hours

In the city centre, shops are generally open Mon-Sat 9.30 am - 6.30 pm. On the main shopping streets, many are open until 8 pm.

Smoking

is prohibited in restaurants and public buildings.

Taxis

There is a central number for calling taxis: +49 228 - 55 55 55.

Tipping

All prices are inclusive of statutory value added tax. Tips are appreciated. 10% for taxi drivers, 10-15% in restaurants, 2-3 euros a day for service personnel is recommended.

Time zone

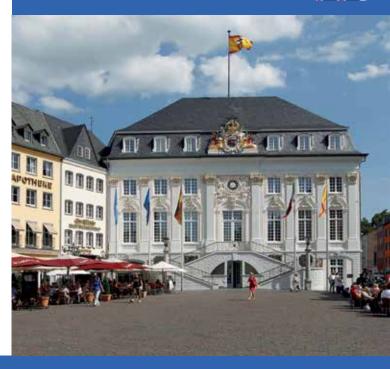
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Welcome to Bonn

Information and tips for international guest patients









Welcome to Bonn

Bonn is one of Germany's foremost healthcare centres, enjoying a good reputation at both national and international level. The city has a long tradition of providing medical treatment for patients from all parts of the world and its healthcare establishments have special experience and expertise in this area. As Germany's UN city and the country's second political hub, Bonn is geared for international visitors. This leaflet has been prepared by the City of Bonn to provide important information and tips and help make your travel plans and your stay a success. You are also cordially invited to discover the cultural and tourist attractions on offer as well as the city's outstanding shopping facilities.

Travel planning information & services

A wide range of services are offered by Tourismus & Congress GmbH to help you prepare your visit to Bonn. They include:

- hotel reservation service
- package deals for individuals and groups
- travel programmes and tourist information

Contact:

Tourismus & Congress GmbH Region Bonn/Rhein-Sieg/Ahrweiler

Heussallee 11, 53113 Bonn

Phone: +49 228 - 91 04 10, Fax: +49 228 - 91 04 11 1

www.bonn-region.de

E-mail: info@bonn-region.de Availability: Mon - Fri 9 am - 5 pm At www.bonn-region.de you will find tourist information and tips for your stay in Bonn, a user-friendly online booking system for overnight stays and a list of other accommodation options in Bonn and the surrounding area.

Tourist information & services on the spot

During your stay in Bonn, you can address any questions relating to tourism to Bonn-Information. The services it provides include:

- room reservations/hotel and guesthouse bookings
- tickets for sightseeing bus tours/guided city walks
- sale of the Bonn Regio WelcomeCard with lots of discounts
- · flyers, booklets and city maps

Contact:

Bonn-Information

Windeckstrasse 1/am Münsterplatz, 53111 Bonn Phone: +49 228 - 77 50 00, Fax: +49 228 - 77 50 77

E-mail: bonninformation@bonn.de

Service hours for personal and telephone advice:

Mon - Fri 10 am - 6 pm, Sat 10 am - 4 pm, Sun/public holidays: 10 am - 2 pm

Accommodation

From hotels and guesthouses to serviced apartments – Bonn offers a wide range of accommodation to suit all tastes and types of visit.

The Tourismus & Congress GmbH online booking portal offers a convenient search tool for accommodation. You can choose from a large number of accommodations and simply book direct. The website provides an overview of accommodation available in every price category. What is more, Tourismus & Congress GmbH hotel specialists and the Bonn-Information reservation service offer free personal advice for accommodation-seekers. They also keep a current directory of hotels and other accommodation providers in Bonn and the surrounding region:

Tourismus & Congress GmbH

Phone: +49 228 - 91 04 13 3 Fax: +49 228 - 91 04 17 7

E-mail: bonnhotels@bonn-region.de

Bonn-Information

Phone: +49 228 - 77 50 00 Fax: +49 228 - 77 50 77

E-mail: bonninformation@bonn.de

Please note that apart from the regular accommodation options in Bonn there is also private rental accommodation on offer that is not allowed to be marketed as tourist accommodation under local bylaws. We recommend that you use official directories and information sources when seeking and booking accommodation because isolated instances of overpriced accommodation have been detected.

Consulates & embassy branch offices in Bonn

Branch Office of the Embassy of Qatar Medical Office Department

Godesberger Allee 77-81, 53175 Bonn

Phone: +49 228 - 36 78 50, Fax: +49 228 - 36 30 06

Branch Office of the Embassy of Libya Healthcare Bureau

Beethovenallee 12 a, 53173 Bonn

Phone: +49 228 - 18 40 00, Fax: +49 228 - 18 40 04

General Consulate of the Russian Federation

Waldstrasse 42, 53177 Bonn

Phone: +49 228 - 38 67 93 1, Fax: +49 228 - 31 21 64

General Consulate of the Republic of Tunisia

Godesberger Allee 103, 53175 Bonn

Phone: +49 228 - 84 89 60 0, Fax: +49 228 - 84 89 70 0

Embassy of the United Arab Emirates Bonn Branch Office

Erste Fährgasse 6, 53113 Bonn

Phone: +49 228 - 26 70 70, Fax: +49 228 - 26 70 71 4

Visas for medical treatment/extensions of stay

Anyone visiting Germany for medical treatment is strongly advised to apply for a medical treatment visa and not to enter the country on an ordinary tourist visa. Please contact the relevant agency of your home country, your health insurance provider or the relevant German consu-