

Half-day excursion: Trip on the City Tour Bus to Zeche Zollverein and red dot design museum

12:00 – 13:00 UNESCO World Heritage Site Zeche Zollverein

The two architects Fritz Schupp and Martin Kremmer were inspired by Bauhaus, and designed the industrial complex to be consistently harmonised across two axes in accordance with principles of symmetry and geometry, constructing a unique model facility in the form of Zollverein Shaft XII. The shaft facility was built in 1932, and in 1986 was the last pit in Essen to be decommissioned. On 14 December 2001, what was once the largest and most beautiful colliery in Europe was designated a World Cultural Heritage Site by UNESCO, together with the Zollverein coking plant. The grounds house a series of major institutions, such as the new Ruhr Museum and the 'red dot design museum'. In this Capital of Culture year, the coal washing plant of the Shaft XII facility is the central visitor centre in the region. The trip continues by bus.

13:00 – 14:00 (Short) tour of the 'red dot design museum'

The 'red dot design museum' is unique. It displays the world's largest and probably most unusual collection of contemporary designs. Over an area of more than 4,000 m², around 1,000 products from around the world are presented – all of them distinguished with the 'red dot'. The names of the designers and companies read like a Who's Who of design. And all of this in the breathtaking architecture of the former Zollverein Coal Mine.

Return journey by bus to the Intercity Hotel (central station).

Services: Bus and tour guide provided for the duration of the event, entrance to and guided tour of Zeche Zollverein and the Red Dot Design Museum.

Date

September 23, 2010

11:00 – 15:00

Minimum number of participants

25 persons

Price per person

26.00 Euro

Meeting point

Intercity Hotel (opposite central station)

