

Düsternbrook to Kiel Hauptbahnhof

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Start	Düsternbrook, Carl Loewe Weg
Finish	Kiel Hauptbahnhof, Platz der Kieler Matrosen
Distance	3.62km
Duration	45 minutes
Access	Bus 41/42 at start of section; many buses between Ostseekai and central Kiel; all transport at Kiel Hbf.
Facilities	All facilities throughout this section.

5.1	Shoreline opposite Carl Loewe Weg	0m
5.2	S on Kiellinie promenade to Ostseekai.	1720m
5.3	Cross main road by bridge; L through Schloßgarten; R out of garden; L and ahead on Dänische Straße; ahead on Alter Markt; L to Sankt Nikolai Kirche; R on Holstenstraße; cross Berliner Platz and continue on Holstenstraße; L at Asmus Bremer Platz; cross Andreas Gayk Straße and turn R along L pavement; L at tourist office, then R on Kaistraße; R into Platz der Kieler Matrosen.	1900m

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5.1

This section of the walk starts out from the point of the Kiellinie promenade opposite the foot of Carl Loewe Weg, in Dürstenbrook.

The 41/42 bus connects this point with Kiel. Parking facilities for a support vehicle may be found about 250m to the south, beside the restaurant mentioned below.

5.2

Set off southwards on the Kiellinie, with marina facilities on the firth to your left. Keep to the shore, passing to the left of a fish restaurant where the road swings to the right. The shoreline bends to the right after the restaurant.

Continue ahead to the Reventlou ferry pier.

There is a WC block near the pier.

Continue along the promenade for about another 550m, until it finally gives up the shoreline and bends right towards the main road, Dürstenbrooker Weg.

5.3

Take the bridge over the main road to enter the Schloßgarten. Keep left to take the avenue parallel to Dürstenbrooker Weg: this bends to the right to an exit in the park's south-west corner. Cross over the road, and turn left to enter Dänische Straße.

The Schloßgarten was, of course, attached to the local castle. The building on the castle site, ahead and to the left, is a cultural centre which hosts many events.

At this point, you are entering Kiel city centre: parking facilities for a support vehicle may be found in one of the many city car parks.

Follow this street, passing Jensendamm on your right, and continue ahead on the narrower part of Dänische Straße. Keep straight on to enter Alter Markt.

Here, you are entering an area with many shops and restaurants.

*Kiel Hauptbahnhof
from Kaistraße*



Just past the Kieler Brauerei (on your right), turn left to reach Sankt Nikolai Kirche. In front of the church, turn right to descend the pedestrianised Holstenstraße with its many shops. Go straight ahead across Berliner Platz to continue along Holstenstraße. At Asmus Bremer Platz, turn left into Hafenstraße, and follow it to Andreas Gayk Straße, the main road.

Go across Andreas Gayk Straße and turn right along its left pavement to reach the building containing the main Kiel tourist

office. Here, cross Stresemannplatz ahead, and turn left to follow its left-hand pavement.

Turn right onto Kaistraße and follow its right-hand pavement to the Atlantic Hotel, where turn half-right across the Platz der Kieler Matrosen (Kiel Sailors' Square) to reach the foot of the steps into Kiel Hauptbahnhof.

This marks the end of this section of the Nord-Ostsee-Wanderweg.

Kiel Hauptbahnhof is the nerve-centre of public transport to, from and within the city. Most city buses leave from the north side of the station, where there is also a taxi rank. This is also the shopping centre of the city, with the Sophienhof mall just beyond the city bus stops. The station has refreshment facilities and WCs: there are plenty of other cafés and restaurants nearby.