

# Visitor Information: 2023 Season

## Opening hours

- **Visitor area Old & New Ship Lift:** open daily from 04.03.2023, 8 am - 8 pm (until 31.10.2023) and 9 am - 5 pm (from 01.11.2023), individual tour, fee required. Old Ship Lift visitor site partially closed until March 17.
- **Access New Ship Lift:** Open daily during Info Center opening hours (only with guided tours, fee required).
- **Info Center:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily (3/27-10/31/2023), 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (rest of year), free admission.
- **Tourist Information & Museum Shop:** April to October, Tuesday to Sunday, 10 am - 4 pm, free admission.
- Changes possible at any time due to weather conditions, operational issues, events, disruptions, etc. - If necessary, also at very short notice and also contrary to previous information.
- **Closed:** 24-26 Dec, January & February.

## Sightseeing options:

### 1. individual visit of Old & New Ship Lift area

- Access to the visitor area for tours of the Old and New Ship Lift daily during opening hours. Tickets at the information center or at ticket machines. Downloadable audio guide app (€4.50).
- Tickets at vending machines allow access via a revolving door (not for strollers, wheelchairs, walkers, large dogs).
- Access inside\_Old/New Ship Lift only with a guided tour!

### 2. guided tours inside the New Ship Lift

- Combined tickets for guided tour only available at the information center or powerhouse tourist information.
- Combi-ticket includes admission to individual tour of both Ship Lifts and guided tour (approx. 45min) inside the New Ship Lift.
- Guided tours daily at least from 10-15h, longer in peak season depending on demand. Guided tours start several times per hour. For individual visitors or groups up to 15 people, therefore, no prior reservation is necessary or possible. For more information and english-speaking tours visit our website.

### 3. guided tours inside the Old Ship Lift

- Every 14 days on Tuesdays & Saturdays, duration approx. 2 hrs, max. number of participants 15, minimum age 14 years. Reservation required. German language only.
- Special tours are not barrier-free and require a minimum level of physical fitness. Protective equipment will be provided. A liability release must be signed.

## Prices and tariffs

- **Individual tour:**  
Adults: 5 €, Reduced: 3 € (children from 7 years, pupils, students, apprentices, severely disabled persons/accompanying person), Family ticket: 15 € (2 adults + max. 3 children), Children up to 6 years: free
- **Combined ticket** (individual access with guided tour into the New Ship Lift):  
Adults: 12 €, Reduced: 8 € (children from 7 years, pupils, students, trainees, severely disabled persons/accompanying person), Family: 38 €, Children up to 6 years: free
- **Special guided tour** "Into the heart of the Old Ship Lift": 15 €/person

## Event preview 2023

**March 8 (International Women's Day):** "Heroes.Save.Life." - Action day against sudden cardiac death in cooperation with Björn Steiger Foundation

**April 9 (Easter Sunday):** Easter egg hunt with Radio Teddy

**May 18 (Men's Day):** Biker Classics at the old lock stairs

**May 28 (Pentecost Sunday):** Brandenburg Summer Concert - Choirs Between the Troughs

**September 10: Open Monument Day** - "Forgotten Wonder: Niederfinow Sluice Stairs".

**October 31 (Halloween):** Halloween party at the old powerhouse (Krafthaus)

**November 11 (St. Martin)** Festival of lights with horse parade

(Without guarantee: changes possible)

## More information

**Parking fees** (daily flat rate): 3€ for cars, 10€ for coaches, 15€ for campers staying overnight. Toilets: 0,50€ p.p.

**Boat trips** through the Ship Lift from/to Unterhahnen possible with the Neumann shipping company. Adults 10 EUR, children (4-12 y.) 6 EUR Tel.: +49 (0) 3334-24405

**Carriage shuttle** - on weekends, vacations and by separate reservation: pferde@shwtouristik.com

Contact for information, group registrations and **requests for reservations, special tours, etc.**

**please exclusively via e-mail to:**

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Contact Tourist Information: Phone +49 (0) 33362 71377, [krafthaus@shwtouristik.com](mailto:krafthaus@shwtouristik.com)

**Important note:** Our extensive site has barrier-free paths, but is not effortless! The Ship Lifts are also huge machines in operation, restrictions (weather, operation, disturbances, events) therefore possible at any time - if necessary at short notice! Also passenger elevators can be disturbed. Unfortunately, this cannot be ruled out, even if we have been informed otherwise in advance. Please have understanding for this.

In all other respects, our General Terms and Conditions shall apply.

**Current information, notes & contact at:**

[www.schiffshebewerk-niederfinow.com](http://www.schiffshebewerk-niederfinow.com)