

TRAVEL DIRECTIONS

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N 50° 55'03.9"N / 011° 34'41.7" E

By train

From the North (Berlin/Leipzig) or South (Munich/Nürnberg) you arrive in Jena at the train station **Jena-Paradies**. Ride time is about 2:20/1:00 respectively 4:00/2.30 hours. Coming from the West (Frankfurt/Main, Kassel, Göttingen) you will have to change trains at Erfurt or Weimar and arrive at the station **Jena-West**. Ride time is about 2:30 to 3:00 hours.

Both stations are in walking distance to the Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History (about 15 minutes).

From the station **Jena-Paradies**: Leave the station, cross the street and turn left. Follow the street straight ahead, pass by a roundabout and continue at Kahlaische Straße. After the traffic light (Felsenkellerstraße) pass on to the next intersection (Sandweg) and take the steep driveway on the right to the Max Planck Institute.

From station **Jena-West**: Cross the square in front of the station and walk straight ahead down Hohe Straße. At its end walk down the stairs and turn right into Hainstraße until you reach Felsenkellerstraße. Follow Felsenkellerstraße uphill. The Max Planck Institute is located right at the end of Felsenkellerstraße.

Please note: If you take a **taxi cab** from the station, make sure to tell the driver to take you to the Max Planck Institute at Kahlaische Straße 10. (There are several Max Planck Institutes in Jena.)

By plane

Arrival at **Berlin-Schönefeld (SXF) or Berlin-Tegel (TXL)**: Take an S-Bahn (commuter rail) or bus (line TXL) to Berlin Hauptbahnhof (Berlin Main station) or Berlin-Südkreuz (ride time about 30 minutes). From both stations there is almost hourly service to Jena (ride time about 2:20 hours.) Please pay attention: A few trains don't stop in Berlin-Südkreuz.

Arrival at **Frankfurt (FRA)**: There is a major train station at the airport with almost hourly service to Weimar or Erfurt, where you can easily connect to Jena. Travel time is about 3:30 hours.

Arrival at **Munich Airport (MUC)**: Take a shuttle or any train to Munich's main station (München Hauptbahnhof). There you can take the Intercity train to Jena Paradies station. Sometimes you'll have to change in Nürnberg. Travel time is about 5 hours.

Leipzig/Halle (LEJ): A regional airport, you can get flights on several major international carriers currently representing two of the major airline alliances, as well as a host of low cost carriers. A train station is located directly at the airport, and it takes about 90 minutes to get to Jena.

Frankfurt Hahn (HHN): This airport is a major center for low cost carriers with destinations across Europe. Be warned that it is about two hours west of the city of Frankfurt meaning that it will take at least five hours to get to Jena, if not longer. You'll need to take a bus to Frankfurt and then a train to Jena.

To get to the institute, please follow the directions above.

By car

Jena is located at Autobahn A4 from Frankfurt/Main to Dresden in close proximity to the **A4/A9** highway intersection **Hermisdorfer Kreuz**. Leave the Autobahn A4 at the exit "Jena-Göschwitz" (#53). Turn left to Jena-Stadtmitte (downtown) and go straight ahead for about 5 kilometers until you see the green steam pipes crossing the street. Turn left into Sandweg immediately after the steam pipe bridge. (When you reach the roundabout you have gone too far and need to go back to "Sandweg".)

Parking: You can park your car at the parking lot which you will find at the right, once you have turned into the street Sandweg.