

## Independent Traveler Infos # 12 TGAC

**Local Tourist Information Offices – an information source of value for independent travelers:** It's impossible – and not even necessary – to know everything about a travel destination before you get there. In Germany, you can take advantage of a network of local tourist information offices which provide current and helpful information as well as brochures, maps and souvenirs. Usually the tourist information office is centrally located – either near the main train station or near the central square / town hall – or both. The staff will search for an accommodation if you need one and book it right away in your behalf. Of course they know about the things to see and to do and can make suggestions – also in english. You get valuable information about public transportation, museums, opening hours, sightseeing tours, scheduled guided walking tours, day excursions and events. It's always worth to ask about special offers for tourists – many cities sell “tourist cards” which you can use for all public transportation and which grant you discounts or free admissions. Especially a “tourist ticket” makes your stay in big cities like Berlin and Leipzig much easier and relaxing – no hassle with ticket vendors, money change etc.. We also cooperate with local tourist information offices when we plan and organize trips for independent travelers and small groups. How do you like the idea, that an envelope with brochures, maps and tips is already awaiting you when you check in at the hotel – material we order from the tourism information and they send it to your accommodation...

[http://www.thegermanamericanconnection.com/Individual\\_Traveler\\_Info.html](http://www.thegermanamericanconnection.com/Individual_Traveler_Info.html)

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