

Dresden's cable cars

Flying high with Dresden's cable cars

The highlight of every visit to Dresden



The suspension railway (Schwebebahn)

Opening	6 May 1901
Route	Körnerplatz – Oberloschwitz
Length of route	273.8 m
Height difference	84.2 m
Maximum inclination	39.9 %
No. of passengers/carriage	40 persons

Getting to the cable cars

Bus No. 61, 63 and 84/521 to the Körnerplatz bus stop
 Tram No. 6, 12 and bus No. 65 to the Schillerplatz station, then a short walk across the “Blaues Wunder” bridge to the Körnerplatz

The funicular railway (Standseilbahn)

Opening	26 October 1895
Route	Körnerplatz – Weißer Hirsch
Length of route	547 m
Height difference	95 m
Maximum incline	29 %
No. of passengers/carriage	59 people



Hours of operation
 Summer: daily until 8 pm
 Winter: daily until 6 pm

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 Summer: daily until 9:30 pm
 Winter: daily until 8:30 pm

Our tip: enjoy unique views over all of Dresden and the Elbe valley
 The tower of the powerhouse offers interesting exhibitions on how the railways are operated and also serves as a viewing platform. You can reach the top comfortably with the panoramic lift. From there, you will have a priceless view over the entire Dresden Elbe Valley. This view gave the area its local name: “Schönes Aussicht” – “Lovely View”.



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We move Dresden.



Our tip: take a stroll among the mansions and gardens
 Both carriages pass through two tunnels and a steel bridge along the 547 m route to the upper terminus. Arriving at the top, a walk through the exclusive neighbourhood of Weißer Hirsch is peaceful and relaxing; no wonder this part of Dresden earned itself the title “Climatic Health Resort” until 1945.

It's worth visiting the cable cars

For over 120 years, the suspension and funicular railways have been a part of the scenery on the picturesque Loschwitz hillside. Hereby, they not only serve as public transportation, they are also one of most significant tourist attractions in the enchanting capital city of Saxony.

A trip with Dresden's cable cars is a special experience not only because of their unique charm. In fact, the upper terminus of the suspension railway offers a grandiose panorama view of Dresden and the Elbe valley. This is the perfect conclusion of a visit to Saxony's capital.

i Why a trip to and with the funicular and suspension railway is worth it

- Viewing platforms with a breathtaking view over Dresden and the Elbe valley
- Exhibition on the history of the cable cars
- Option of viewing the drive mechanism
- Discounted fare with a one-day ticket



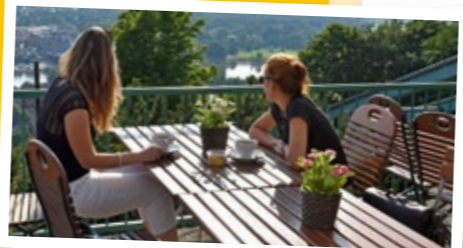
A brief insight into the history of the cable cars

Dresden's funicular railway is one of the most beautiful in Germany. Not only the technical monument, but also its exceptional location on the picturesque Loschwitz hillside attracts many visitors year round. At the beginning of the 19th century, many of Dresden's rich residents moved to Loschwitz, which resulted in the need for mobility. Finally, in 1895, the funicular railway was opened. Since then, it has been running from the district of Loschwitz up to that of Weißer Hirsch. In 1994, it was out of commission for a longer period of time due to restoration work, which lasted for one year. On 22 October 1994, the funicular railway was reopened in all its brilliance, and has since been shuttling up and down the hill relentlessly.

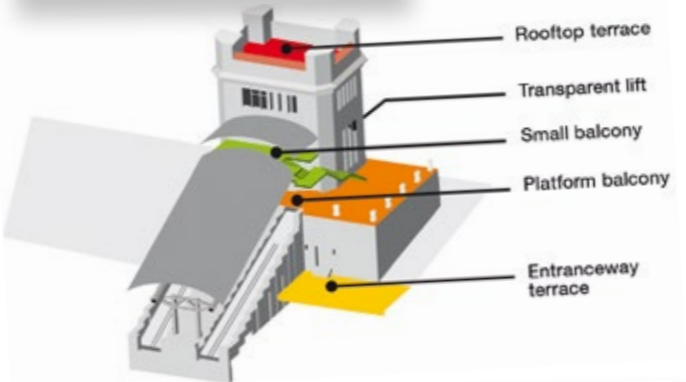
Only six years after the funicular railway had opened, the suspension railway opened on 6 May 1901. It has remained an engineering sensation up to today and is the oldest of its kind in the entire world. The layout is based on the overhead monorail system invented by an engineer from Cologne, Eugen Langen. With this system, the carriageway truss, on which the rail is fastened, is borne by 32 pin-ended and one fixed support. The carriage bodies are attached under the rail. The carriages are set into motion with a pull rope. The corresponding hauling engine is located in the upper terminus. Initially it was driven by a compound steam engine but, since 1909, a direct current motor has been used. This enables the carriages to run between the upper and lower terminus. The suspension railway has been listed as a historical monument since 1975.

i All aboard for Café Schwebbahn

- ✓ Delicious cakes,
- ✓ Good coffee,
- ✓ Sweet treats



... and a view you'll definitely want to linger over!



Flying high with reasonable prices

1 single trip up or down	price
normal ticket	€ 4.00
discounted ticket ¹	€ 2.50
family ticket ²	€ 10.00
group ticket ³ > 10 persons	€ 2.50 per person
1 trip up and down ⁴	
normal ticket	€ 6.00
discounted ticket ¹	€ 3.50
family ticket ²	€ 15.00
group ticket ³ > 10 persons	€ 5.00 per person
12-trip ticket	
normal ticket	€ 30.00
discounted ticket ¹	€ 18.00

¹ The price is valid for school children until the 15th birthday, for holders of a one-day pass for Dresden fare zone and when transporting a bicycle or a dog.
² Price is valid up to two adults and up to four school children (until the 15th birthday).
³ The price is valid per person for a group size of 10 to 99 persons.
⁴ The up and down ticket must be used on the same day, and you can use either cable car.

i Fare tip:

Weekly and (subscriber's) monthly passes for Dresden are also valid for the cable cars. On weekdays from 6 p.m., and all-day on weekends and public holidays, holders of a (subscriber's) one-month pass at the normal rate can take another adult with them at the discounted hillside railway fare. Valid one-day passes (normal price), one-day family passes and small group tickets must be shown at the cable car station in order to receive the discounted fare. Children under school age can travel free of charge.