

Graduation house details

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Length: 81.75 m · Width: 8.50 m · Height: 8.90 m

Brine bath: 542 m³

Wooden frame: 83 m³

Filling: 2,000 bundles of blackthorn brushwood

Visible area: 1,515 m²

Brine steam bath

Surface area: 45.4 m²

Height: 3.00 m

Number of seats: 30

Lighting: 20 floor LEDs · 700 sky stars

Viewing terrace

Surface area: 75 m²



Photo: K. Klisovitz / D. Topel



Entrance prices

	Adults without visitor's card	Adults with visitor's card/ children 7 to 11 years/ disabled persons
Graduation house complex	€ 3.00	€ 1.50
Group rate (from 12 people)	€ 2.50	—
Graduation house tour	€ 5.00	€ 3.00
Voucher for 10 visits	€ 25.00	€ 10.00
Rain cape	€ 1.00	€ 1.00

Combi ticket

	Adults	Children up to 11 years
Combi ticket	€ 5.00	—
Entrance to graduation house complex + spa gardens		

Opening times

April to October

(November to March upon request,
weather permitting)

Graduation house	every day from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Graduation house tour*	every day at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

* Maximum 30 people; groups (from 12 persons) only upon prior reservation

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The Graduation house experience

More sea air!

After over eight months of construction work, the Bad Salzuflen graduation house complex was opened in July 2007. As a result of the renovation process, the unique, T-shaped graduation house ensemble which has shaped the image of Bad Salzuflen since 1767 is up and running once more. And not only that: the replacement building for the oldest graduation house in the town, which had to be demolished in 2004, is the most modern of its kind in Europe. Even Freiherr von Beust (original constructor and salt works director) wouldn't be able to stifle an approving nod.

The new graduation house hosts a range of special features, making it truly unique in the whole of Europe. Brine extracted from depths of 50 to 1,000 m is sprinkled on both the exterior and interior walls.

The graduation house viewing terrace offers magnificent views of the spa gardens and the late nineteenth-century architecture of Bad Salzuflen, guaranteeing an unforgettable day out.

The brine steam chamber

A corridor lined with quiet relaxation corners leads to the brine steam bath, where visitors can inhale the clean, healthy air with its vitalising particles. These tiny water particles are known as aerosols. When inhaled, they invigorate circulation in the lungs and boost oxygen supply to the blood – a veritable energy kick for every part of the body! Soft music and infinite tiny colour-changing stars on the ceiling ensure that your experience is the ultimate in relaxation.

What is a graduation house?

The graduation house is part of a former salt production plant, a salt refinery, which serves to increase the salt content of brine. It consists of a wooden frame, which is generally filled with bundles of blackthorn brushwood, from which the brine trickles. During the process, the effects of the sun and wind cause the water to evaporate. Simultaneously, the brine is cleaned, causing mineral deposits such as lime scale and hematite to form as so-called thorn stones.

Whilst from 1767 to 1945, the graduation house in Bad Salzuflen was only used to produce salt, nowadays, some 600,000 litres of brine flow over the impending blackthorn walls every day, forming a huge open-air inhalatorium with a magnificently fresh sea breeze.

What is brine?

Brine is a saltwater solution. With nine sources, Bad Salzuflen boasts an extraordinary wealth of natural brine. The salt water originates from vestiges of estuaries which reached into the land from the sea more than 200 million years ago. Brine is used in a range of products, such as therapeutic drinks, brine baths and inhalations, to cure and treat skin complaints, allergies, respiratory problems and orthopaedic conditions.