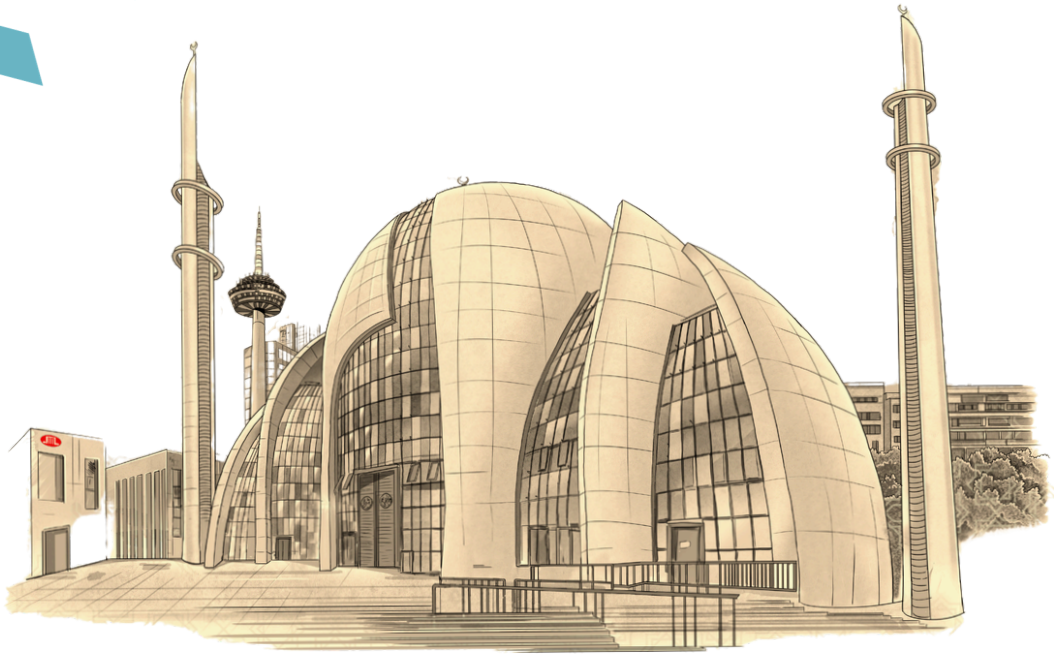


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Mosque Guides



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Dear visitors,

'Come, whoever you are, come.' said the poet and thinker Mevlana Celaleddin-i Rumi

Mosques are places of worship that are open to everyone from morning to night. Our guided tours offer a good opportunity to get to know the Central Mosque Cologne and the community better. As part of the guided tours, we offer an open exchange and an interesting dialogue.

Our certified, volunteer mosque guides aim to provide an insight into the history, architecture and principles of Islamic religious practice. During the tour, the meaning of the Arabic calligraphy in the mosque is explained and the functions of the various elements of worship are explained. At the end of each tour, our volunteer guides also offer an open question and answer session.

Note: The guided tours can be adapted to the special needs of the participants (e.g. day-care centres, school classes, senior citizens, special professional groups). The mosque is barrier-free and inclusion-friendly.



Over 740 groups visit the Central Mosque in Cologne every year. Come along and take the opportunity to get first-hand information about one of the world's largest religions.

PUBLIC GUIDED TOURS

We offer public guided tours without registration for smaller groups of less than 10 people. Ideal for groups of family and friends or work colleagues.

- Wednesdays, fridays, saturdays, sundays
- 3:15 p.m.
- Language: German, Turkish, English depending on the group
- Meeting point: At the INFO on the square

INDIVIDUAL GROUP TOURS

Information about the guided tours:

- Please read our general information first
- Enquiries should always be made using the **online enquiry form**
- After the online enquiry, please allow a processing time of approx. **2 weeks** and, depending on the time of year, a lead time of **approx. 2-4 weeks**.
- You will then receive a written response by e-mail containing further information on the house rules and the process. The mosque guide will welcome the group punctually in the forecourt of the mosque.
- Group size: 15-45 people
- The tour lasts approx. 60 minutes
- We offer individual group tours daily from 10:00-21:00.
- Choice of languages: German, Turkish, English
- We reserve the right to guide smaller groups of less than 10 people together. There is no entitlement to guided tours.
- If you are unable to take the booked tour, we would ask you to cancel it at least one week in advance by sending an email to besucherservice@ditib.de with the subject 'Cancellation, date, name'.
- Instead of an expense allowance/fee, we ask for a donation. We will also be happy to issue you with a donation receipt.

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INFORMATION FOR VISITORS

The prayer room is a space of peace, devotion and blessing. The behaviour of visitors should therefore be polite, kind and respectful and in keeping with the religious character of the place.

- Appropriate clothing is urgently requested in the domed hall/prayer hall:
 - Cover legs at least to below the knees, cleavage and shoulders as well
 - Out of consideration for those praying and the spirituality of the prayer hall, a head covering is requested for female guests
- For reasons of hygiene, socks must be worn by everyone entering the prayer room
- The carpet may not be walked on barefoot or with shoes
- Switch off or mute telephones. Please refrain from loud conversations and disruptive behaviour
- Bags, suitcases, rucksacks, etc. are not permitted in the domed hall
- Professional or media photography and video recordings are only permitted with written authorisation
- Photography courses, photo seminars, photo excursions, photo tours, hobby photographers, etc. please understand that photography is only permitted with smartphones on the entire premises. In order to preserve the spirituality and intimacy of the space, photography is only permitted with special authorisation.

GENERAL INFORMATION ON DATA PROTECTION, VIDEO AND IMAGE RECORDINGS

For general security and for the purpose of exercising domiciliary rights, preventing vandalism and protecting the property of the Central Mosque Cologne, the entire building complex is under video surveillance.

The video recordings are deleted after 7 days or stored until clarification of an offence/incident against the legitimate interests of the DITIB Central Mosque Cologne.

By entering and using the building complex of the Central Mosque, each visitor gives his/her consent for personal data and photos to be published in connection with the purpose of the association and statutory events and, if necessary, for these to be transmitted to print and other media. Every visitor is entitled to object to the publication of individual photos and personal data at any time. In this case, the transmission or publication will be stopped immediately for the future.

