

Protecting the maritime heritage for the future of the city

The Hamburg Maritime Foundation is active in restoring and operating historical vessels, repairing quay sheds from the beginning of the 20th century as well as establishing and operating a harbour for traditional vessels in the HafenCity.

Protecting – restoring – presenting

Historical vessels, docks, and equipment are the tangible witnesses of the maritime history of Hamburg and the north German coastal region. The objective of the Hamburg Maritime Foundation is to protect such tangible witnesses, to restore them, and make them publicly accessible.

To this purpose, the foundation brings together experts and volunteers, raises private capital and support from politicians and companies.

Joining and promoting

Keeping the maritime heritage alive and living – that is only possible thanks to the support of now more than 800 volunteers working in the operating clubs of the vessels and the historical harbour railway. The friends of the Hamburg Maritime Heritage support the Hamburg Maritime Foundation with money, material, and ideas.

Further members and supporters are warmly welcome!

To put its projects into practice, the Hamburg Maritime Foundation depends on donations. Without the broad support from sponsors and many individual donators, the acquisition and restoration of historical vessels and other objects would not be possible. We are grateful for further donations that benefit our existing vessels or new projects.

Of course, all donators will get a donation receipt, allowing them to offset the donation against their tax.



Historical vessels

The foundation acquired a number of historically valuable vessels and, after comprehensive restoration through specialists, has meanwhile succeeded in getting them sailing. The vessels are maintained and operated by independent operating clubs; the crews consist of club members who do their job in an honorary capacity.

The vessels that are owned by the foundation and offer charter sails and sails for guests include the state steamer SCHAARHÖRN, the pilot schooner No.5 ELBE, the offshore fishing vessel LANDRATH KÜSTER, the small two-master with spanker JOHANNA, and the cruiser yacht ARTEMIS.

Many of these projects have been put into practice in co-operation with the shipyard of "Jugend in Arbeit Hamburg e. V.". Here, in a concerted effort, young people get training, financed by the Hamburg Maritime Foundation.

Quay sheds, MS BLEICHEN, and the Harbour museum

The Hamburg Maritime Foundation maintains and restores the sheds, the last of their kind in the port of Hamburg - classified as a historical monument. The docks, constructed from 1908 to 1912, with their nice head buildings, the quay facilities, cranes, and old harbour rail vehicles can be found on the south side of the river Elbe opposite of what is now the HafenCity.

On the site of the sheds the harbour museum shows collections – related to the history of the harbour. An important part of the museum is the general cargo vessel BLEICHEN, built in 1958, which is being restored there and can be visited.



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