

FACT SHEET

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MELT!

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FERROPOLIS \ GERMANY

WWW.MELTFESTIVAL.DE



MELT! 2012

Three days of stage-hopping discovering highlight upon highlight. Three days of dancing till you drop, yet returning home blissfully. Three days of celebrating with thousands of strangers feeling like you're amongst friends. That's Melt! for you in a nutshell.

In July, the City of Iron comes to life once more. Carefully selected international musicians arrive in Ferropolis with thousands of fans following their call to dance. Where tranquil tunes are played during the day, roaring bass and smashing beats reign at night. Established acts meet the latest newcomer. Indie meets electro, techno, and everything else that keeps your feet moving. Close to the quaint village of Gräfenhainichen, beneath impressive relics of the brown coal era, where genres become obsolete, it is real to all of us: a unique Melt! feeling.

For the 15th time, this feeling brings together enthusiastic music lovers creating a microcosm of limitless festival euphoria. Melt! Festival's international relevance is underlined by a Live Entertainment Award («Best Festival 2009») and two European Festival Awards («Artist's Favourite European Festival 2010», «Green 'n' Clean Festival Of The Year 2011»). About one third of our 20,000 visitors come to Ferropolis from abroad, and press people from 30 countries, from every continent, come together to find what can't be found anywhere else.

WELCOME TO MELT!



FACTS

Datum: 13th–15th July 2012

Musical headlines:

Indie, Alternative Pop/Rock, Techno, Pop, Electronica, Minimal, Ambient, Advanced Hip Hop, Grime, Dubstep, Drum & Bass, New Rave, Baile Funk ... Quality knows no genre!

Festival site:

Ferropolis »City Of Iron« (Expo 2000 project), Iron sculptures consisting of five surface mining machines surrounded by the Gremmin Lake

Adresse:

Ferropolisstrasse 1
06773 Gräfenhainichen (Saxony-Anhalt)
www.ferropolis.de

Next airports:

- Berlin Tegel or Schönefeld (app. 90 mins shuttle ride)
- Halle/Leipzig Airport (app. 60 mins shuttle ride)

CONFIRMED ACTS 2012

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austramusic.com
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BENGA (LIVE)

benga.co.uk
facebook.com/iambenga
soundcloud.com/iambenga

ADAM BEYER

soundcloud.com/adambeyer
facebook.com/realadambeyer

BLOC PARTY

blocparty.com
soundcloud.com/blocparty
facebook.com/blocpartyofficial

THE BLOODY BEETROOTS (DJ SET)

thebloodybeetroots.com
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soundcloud.com/thebloodybeetroots

BOY

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facebook.com/listentoboy

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Brandt-Brauer-Frick/105285089747

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CASPER

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THE CAST OF CHEERS

thecastofcheers.com
myspace.com/thecastofcheers
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CHAIRLIFT

chairlifted.com/metbefore
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facebook.com/chairlift

CITIZENS!

citizens.cz/
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Destroyer/40560201870
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FLUX PAVILION

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FRITTENBUDE

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GESAFFELSTEIN (LIVE)

gesaffelstein.com
facebook.com/gesaffelsteinmusic

GOSSIP

gossipyouth.com
facebook.com/gossipmusic

DOUGLAS GREED

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facebook.com/pages/Pollyester
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THE RAPTURE

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ritontime.com
myspace.com/ritontime
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TWO DOOR CINEMA CLUB

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VONDELPARK

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THE WAR ON DRUGS

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ARTIST QUOTES

»It's the most amazing environment for a festival ever. It's like a twisted vision of the future combined with the lake and stuff. It's an amazing environment (...) It's one of the most fascinating places we've ever played.«

Hurts

»Melt! was pretty fuckin' mad. I imagine it's what the inside of Marilyn Manson's head looks like.«

Noel Gallagher

»I think it's maybe the most spectacular and beautiful festival we ever played at. So it's really a big festival and it's close to Berlin – that is even better.«

WhoMadeWho

»It's a great honour to to be invited back every year. It's one of the best gigs every year if not *the* best.«

Markus Kavka

»It's definitely one of the best festivals around. The Line-up and the amazing big space machines – it's incredible.«

Simian Mobile Disco

»We have been residents for about five years now. Melt! is our home!«

Digitalism

»We are kind of blown away by the whole thing really. Like being in Mad Max!«

The Big Pink

»We heard that it is one of the best festivals in Europe and we weren't disappointed – It's brilliant!«

Is Tropical

»It looks stunning. Visually it looks like one of the best festival we've ever been to.«

Delphic

»It's one of the best festivals in Europe I think.«

Joe Goddard [Hot Chip]

»I can't really recommend Melt festival enough. (...) this festival is possibly the greatest in the world. Go to Melt!.«

Friendly Fires

»You don't get anything like this anywhere else.«

Editors

»The world's best festival!«

Mike Skinner, The Streets



PRESS QUOTES

»Gräfenhainichen is the indietronic fan's Mecca.«

Welt Kompakt

»Melt! belongs to the most important pop events of the year.«

Freie Presse

»It's the capital of indie and electro music fans.«

Mitteldeutsche Zeitung

»Melt! Used to be an insiders' tip. Today, it's one of the most important music festivals worldwide with more to offer than your usual rock and mud.«

Bild

»What does electro pop music even mean? Simply call it Melt! Festival Music.«

FAZ

»Among the meanwhile differentiated festivals around, Melt!'s combination of various genres and approaches makes it unique.«

Berliner Zeitung

»If you've ever been to Melt!, you certainly noticed that the restlessness as well as the international and modern flair are of a unique quality – especially its live factor.«

Rolling Stone

»Big names are traditional at this festival classic... after the appropriate quality check, of course.«

DeBug

»Melt! Festival's success is also rooted in its endeavours to incorporate the country's most important electro subgenres.«

Musikexpress

»Divine scenery, divine booking, divine atmosphere. Unrivalled in this country.«

Prinz

PAST HIGHLIGHTS

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SIMIAN MOBILE DISCO \ STEREO MCS
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