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DIE PFALZ. THE GERMAN WINE STREET.

The German Wine Street, stretching from Neustadt to Bockenheim is a veritable treasure trove of things to see and to do. Together with the annual issue of the magazine "LebensArt Deutsche Weinstraße", the guidebook is the ideal source of information for treasure hunters and travellers alike. Towns and villages, sights well-worth seeing as well as things to do are listed in abundance. Town maps, maps of the region and attractive illustrations ensure that you don't lose your bearings.

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↑ Palatinate (Pfalz): the second largest wine-growing region of Germany





↓ Palatinate Forest: the largest continuous woodland of Germany





↑ Hambach Castle: the cradle of German democracy.





↓ Neustadt an der Weinstraße: coronation site of the German Wine Queen.





↑ Haardt Castle: the daintiest villa on the Haardt mountains





↓ Deidesheim: the first Cittaslow in Rhineland-Palatinate.





↑ Wachtenburg Castle: a lovely place with a breathtaking view over the Rhine valley





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↓ Neuleiningen: the medieval fortress- and mountain-village



NEUSTADT AN DER WEINSTRASSE

If the people of the Palatinate want to forget all their sorrows and problems – they go to Neustadt. This old saying is still valid and not only for the locals. This, the wine metropolis of the Palatinate has a definitely “good” feeling about it, whether strolling through the old town streets, doing your weekly shopping at the market, set between half-timbered houses on the market place, or just enjoying a glass of wine in the warm rays of the sun. And this was probably produced in one of the romantic wine villages belonging to Neustadt: **Diedesfeld, Duttweiler, Gimmeldingen, Geinsheim, Haardt, Hambach, Königsbach, Lachenspeyerdorf** or **Mußbach**. Any time of the year is the time to be there: in the early spring to experience the sea of flowering almond trees, during the summer at one of the innumerable wine festivals or during the autumn to join in harvesting the grapes. Not to be forgotten is a trip up to **Hambacher Schloss**, the birthplace of German democracy, a nostalgic steam train ride with the “**Kuckucksbähnel**” or a journey of discovery along the German Wine Street.



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Elwedritsche as souvenirs

Nowadays, many people like to keep Elwedritsche as domestic animals, due to their joyful and sociable nature. By paying a small hunting fee, you may easily catch a male or female Elwedritsche in the shape of a stuffed animal at the tourist information of Neustadt an der Weinstraße.



Elwedritsche as stuffed animals...

available as popular hand puppets or as decoration for a good bottle of Palatinate wine; as middle-sized finger puppets, as small-sized pendants for gifts or as ideal company on a hiking tour in the Palatinate Forest: no matter if male or female, just attach it to your rucksack and off you go...



The rubber dritsche for your bath – squeakingly beautiful!



Delicious:

For gourmets, the Confiserie Michel bakes “Elwedritsche” in traditional earthen moulds. Depending on the season, they are either made with almond sponge cake or with chestnut flour refined with Grand Cru chocolate. Price with exclusive packaging included 19,50 €. Order online on:
info@fantasy-pastry.com / Tel. +49 (0)6321/84366



Spicy:

Find Palatinate Elwedritsche egg salt and Palatinate Elwedritsche spice at “Der magische Garten” in Neustadt an der Weinstraße – equally suited for quail eggs, goose eggs, omelettes or as spices for geese, ducks and chicken – just come in and see for yourself.
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Tritschologic:

The small book “Elwedritsche” by Michael Landgraf and Wulf Werbelow, illustrated by Steffen Boisellet gives answers to essential questions such as “How did Elwedritsche get their name?” and “How did Elwedritsche come into the world?”. Including tritscho-anatomy, tritscho-linguistics, tritscho-hunting science and much more. ISBN: 978-3-939233-15-2.

All Elwedritsche figurines, earthen Elwedritsche, regional products and selected wines are available at the tourist information of Neustadt an der Weinstraße!



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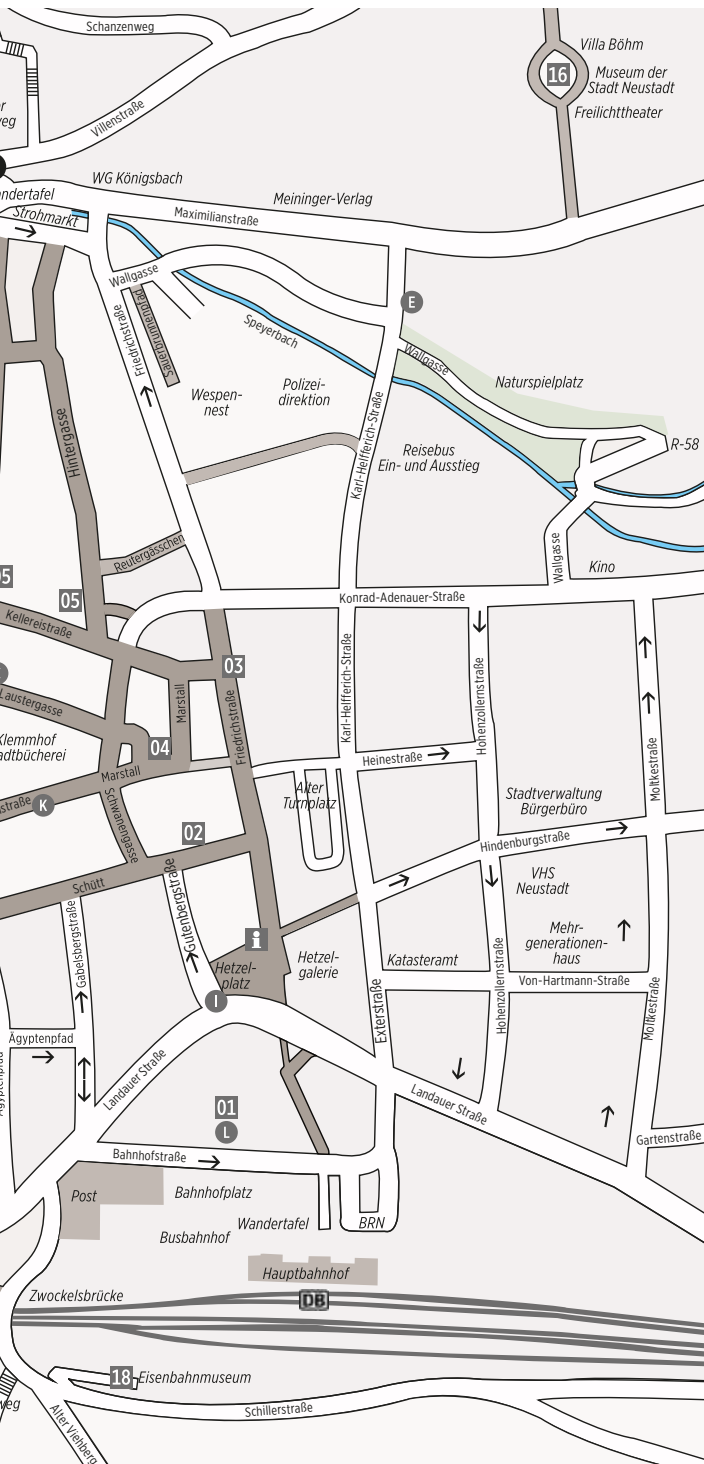


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A TOUR OF THE TOWN OF NEUSTADT



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Der Saalbau – Neustadt's "Front Parlour" Built between 1871 - 1873, during the unification of Germany, the Saalbau today is a convention centre, a theatre, a ballroom and the traditional venue for the Coronation of the Palatinate and German Wine Queen. A veritable, multipurpose site and this just a few yards away from the main railway station, built in 1866.



02

Der Storchenturm: The old stork's tower has not yet been re-visited by the many storks who have now decided to build their nests in the wine village of Geinsheim. The best view of this fortified tower is from the children's playground or the Elwedritschebrunnen.



03

Friedrichstraße, Kellereistraße und Hauptstraße – invite you to dawdle and potter around: Palatinate specialities, Palatinate wine, here in the heart of the pedestrian area you are bound to find souvenirs both everyday and unusual to take back with you. Or just enjoy the historic surroundings with half-timbered houses, lovingly restored, with their bay windows and stylish façades ...



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Der Elwedritschebrunnen – both mythical and fabulous: None of the legendary animals of the Palatinate depicted resemble each other: mythical birds, half-human, half-animal but all with such human features. Children love them and adults are just fascinated by this, a fountain designed by Prof. Gernot Rumpf. Just ensure that you take your time to discover all its secrets ...



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Mittelgasse und Hintergasse – romantic witnesses of time gone by: Lovingly restored half-timbered houses, idyllic inner courtyards, Mediterranean plants and flowers, Neustadt's oldest wine tavern, inviting guest houses, corner shops and art galleries – the historical old town is still very much alive.



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Kartoffelmarkt und Paradiesbrunnen: In earlier times, it was only potatoes sold here and hence the name – Kartoffeln (pfälzisch "Grumbeere"). The Fountain of Paradise is supposed to remind us of the expulsion of Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden. For the thirsty visitor there is a "swallow's nest" with fresh water right next to the sexton's house built into the church wall.

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The Adler-Apotheke – not only herbs such as centaurium: but also many other herbal recipes are still prepared and offered for sale by the pharmacist family of Götz in their chemist's shop in the Hauptstraße 81. In the 14th and 15th centuries this was the site of a kurpfälzische mint.

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Der Michel'sche Hof – with its veritable “inner” values: the inner courtyard leading off from Hauptstraße 75a is opened on special occasions by “Woisträßler e.V.,” an association dedicated to the conservation of the cultural aspects of wine.

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In and around the Marktplatz – Neustadt's historic centre: The market place with its gothic Stiftskirche (collegiate church), town hall and Scheffelhaus is the ideal setting for the colourful farmer's market. During the summer, the wine taverns and bistros invite you to sit outside, sheltered from the warm rays of the sun and in winter there is the Christmas Market with its motto: “It's Christmas, needless to say”!

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Das Rathaus – Marktplatz Nr. 1: Built in baroque style in 1729, it was used as a Jesuit college until 1773. Since 1838 it has been the town hall of Neustadt where not only the town council meets but where, in summer, there are open air concerts in the inner courtyard. The entrance is guarded by a bronze statue of a lion, the heraldic emblem of Neustadt, designed by Prof. Gernot Rumpf, who also created the teasing mouse at its foot!

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Das Scheffelhaus – Marktplatz Nr. 4: “The gabled house, which every one knows...” was a song written by Victor von Scheffel to commemorate this outstanding building built in 1580 in the style of the Renaissance. Following extensive renovation, it is now a meeting place for the international wine scene: Das MUNDUSvini-Weinhaus is a wine bistro, a wine lounge and a restaurant, all in one.

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Die Vizedomei – Marktplatz Nr. 8: This baroque building, built in 1737, together with its wonderful inner courtyard, was once the seat of the Viztum or Vicedominus, the highest-ranking representative of the Elector of the Palatinate.

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Marktplatz Nr. 11 – a house with a chequered history: Nowadays an architectural jewel but in earlier times a tavern “Zum zartzen Lewen”, then, around the year 1600, completely rebuilt as a court house, later a wine tavern and guest house. At the rear of the courtyard, with its impressive half-timbered surroundings, there is the official residence of the Palatinate Brotherhood of Wine with their motto “In vite vita”, in the vine is life.



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Die Stiftskirche – Neustadt’s most prominent landmark: The two unequal sandstone towers of the collegiate church have overlooked Neustadt for the last 500 years. Visitors can climb up on the South Tower (57m) to experience a breathtaking view. Until the year 1970, the tower was also the home of the last „Türmer”, the tower watchman, whilst in the North Tower (64 m) is the world’s largest cast-iron church bell - the „Kaiserglocke”



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Das Haus des Weines – a house full of wine: Nestling under its gothic stepped gables (around 1276) is where the winegrowers of Neustadt present their wines. Just come in and taste the variety of wines on offer or just say “yes” since the peaceful inner courtyard is also the site of the civil registry office ...



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Das Casimirianum – the electoral prince’s university: “Casi” is how the people of Neustadt fondly call this architectural gem which combines features of both the Gothic period and the Renaissance. In 1578, Pfalzgraf Johann Casimir founded a Calvinist theological university as alternative quarters to the Lutheran University of Heidelberg.



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Juliusplatz with St. Marien – Neustadt from its most attractive side: The neo-Gothic church steeple of the Parish Church St. Marien towers over one of the most beautiful corners of Neustadt, the Juliusplatz, characterised by the church, the town hall, Casimirianum and many beautifully restored old buildings.



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Metzgergasse: A very narrow street leading from the market square to the Kunigundenstrasse containing a number of archways displaying old guild signs. The houses offer an insight into the appearance of the streets during the late-Gothic and Renaissance period. House number 3 (1382) is considered to be one of the oldest half-timbered houses in the Palatinate with considerable significance in the history of architecture.

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Kunigundenstrasse: This street in the southwest area of the old town was, up to the year 1895, originally an extension of the Metzgergasse (butcher's street). Its name can be traced back to the woman who saved Neustadt from the aftermath of the Palatinate War of Succession in 1689. The daughter of one of Neustadt's noble citizens, Kunigunde Kirchner, was able to save the town of Neustadt from destruction by expressing her love for the French General de Werth.

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Stadtmuseum Villa Böhm – interactive history: audio-visual documents and historical exhibits offer an exciting journey into the past 800 years in and around Neustadt in a magnificent old villa with its painted stucco ceilings. The upper floor is the scene for alternating exhibitions whilst the gardens are used for an open-air theatre during the summer.

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Das Otto Dill-Museum – filled with items of outstanding artistic value: Otto Dill is, alongside Max Slevogt, the best known artist of the Palatinate. Dramatic scenes of bullfighting alternate with landscape painting, all bursting with expressive dynamism. The Otto Dill-Museum, now sustained by the Manfred-Vetter-Stiftung, offers the rare opportunity of understanding the artistic development of Neustadt's most famous son.

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Das Eisenbahnmuseum – The Nostalgia of Steam Trains: Guaranteed to make the heart of railway fans beat faster, the historical Pfalzbahn-Lokschuppen is the home of old locomotives and rail carriages together with a collection of signs and signals. During the summer there are also railway trips with the old "Kuckucksbähnel" when it is possible to steam into the wooded valley around Elmstein and bring back childhood memories.

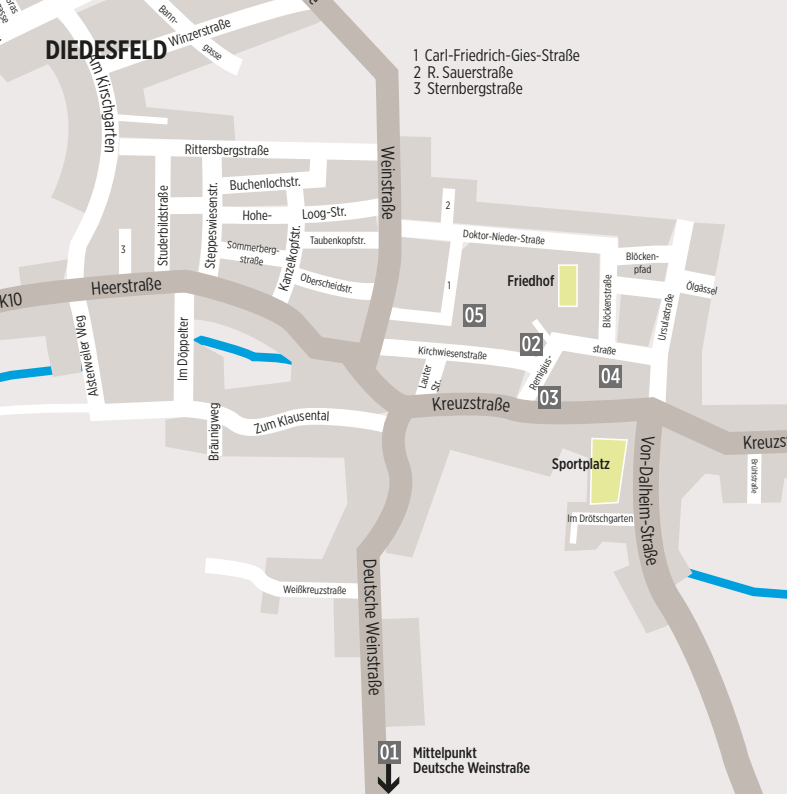
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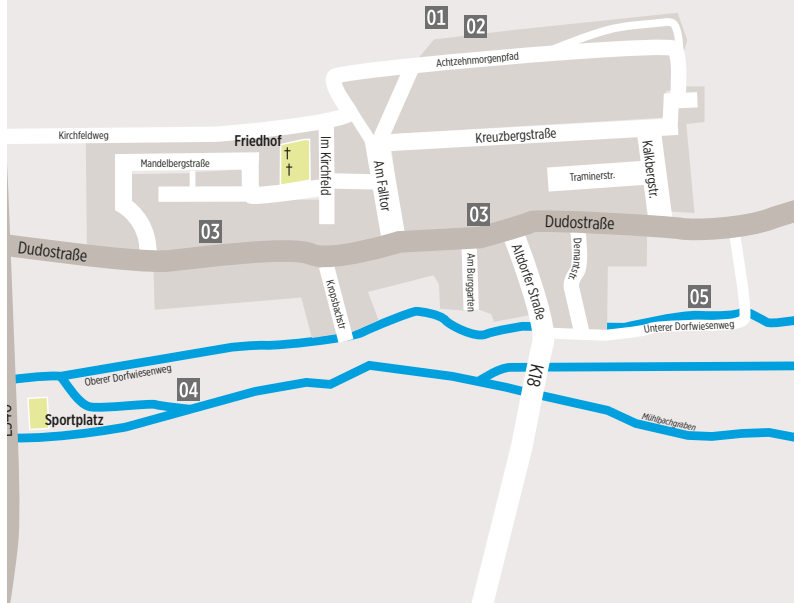
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DIEDESFELD: The wine village stands at the geographical centre of the German Wine Street, which is marked by a sandstone on the outskirts of the village. The tradition of winemaking goes back over 2,000 years. Life in the village takes place in a multitude of renovated half-timbered houses and sandstone walls. The baroque church of **St. Remigius**, with its Rococo pulpit, was built in the 18th Century. The Remigiusbrunnen in front of the church was made out of glazed natural stone. 200 years older than the church is the town hall, built in 1601 together with the largest stone fountain basin in the Palatinate. Looking over the village is the **Hambacher Schloss** offering views of the other side of the River Rhine as far away as Odenwald and the Black Forest. The circular hiking tour leads up through Klausental to the **Kalmit** (673m) and for the younger visitor there is always the nature playground in the Kirchwiesenstraße.

- 01** Geographical centre of the German Wine Street (with engraved sandstone)
- 02** Altes Rathaus - the old town hall with village fountain under its arcades
- 03** Remigiusbrunnen - a water well made out of glazed natural stone
- 04** Remigiuskirche
- 05** Naturspielplatz (northerly Kirchwiesenstraße)

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DUTTWEILER: Embedded in a sea of vines is the smallest wine village of Neustadt, Duttweiler. In a landscape traditionally devoted to arable farming of all kinds, the so-called “Gäu”, more than 20 winegrowers’ families keep up the **1,000 year old tradition of winemaking** in the village. The vineyards soils of the Mandelberg, Kreuzberg and Kalkberg are rich in nutrients and predestined to be able to produce excellent wines in the pretty winemakers’ houses. Duttweiler is connected to the Palatinate Bicycle Network and it is a mere stone’s throw away either to the Domstadt Speyer or to a refreshing swim in the open air swimming pool. News in and around the village is exchanged at the local baker’s shop but also via the unique village public address system where you are kept informed about cultural events, the local football club, missing cats and dogs and the latest rankings in the village cycle race. Informative and quirky.

- 01 Viewpoint** with a view of the sea of vines and the Hambacher Schloss North of the Achtzehnmorgenpfades
- 02 Barbecue area** (Achtzehnmorgenpfad)
- 03 Public viewing gardens** belonging to I. and H. Rust in the Dudostraße
- 04 The village swimming pool**
- 05 The sparkling wine cellars, Wiesental**

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GEINSHEIM



GEINSHEIM: The village has the largest area of vineyards of all nine villages belonging to Neustadt. Half-timbered houses –many listed as historic monuments together with the stork’s nest on the steeple of the Church of St. Peter and Paul, the main landmark of the village, are the charming sights in and around this wine village. Noble asparagus is harvested during the springtime and can be found on the menu of many a top-class restaurant - a culinary delight from the Palatinate. Served with „Pälzer Grumbeere“ (potatoes) and a Silvaner or Rivaner as a typically Palatinate vinous companion to asparagus – the perfect end to a cycle tour around the village or even through the Ordenswald Forest to Speyer, a particular highlight. And for those of you with a golf handicap, Geinsheim also has an impressive 18-hole golf course it calls its own.

- 01** Church St. Peter und Paul with stork’s nest on the church steeple
- 02** Ruine im Birkig
- 03** Golfplatz

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GIMMELDINGEN: Sandstone walls, narrow alleyways and archways wreathed with grapevines characterise the village of Gimmeldingen, now a state-approved vacation village. The Romans were the first to recognize the significance of the gentle hillside slopes as an ideal site to plant vineyards. Indisputable witness of these beginnings is the Mithras- Heiligtum in the Loblocher Straße, a replica of the carved stone wall-plate made in honour of Mithras, the god of light, now on display at the Historischen Museum der Pfalz in Speyer. The village is also the ideal starting point for many walks. Well-marked paths lead you through the Palatinate Forest to Benjental, the Looganlage, Silbertal or even to Deidesheim. Circular tracks will also take you to the nearby Weinbiet (553m). There is also a Nordic Walking Centre leading into the Gimmeldinger Valley and a wine trail with information panels which starts at the Fürstenweg. The wine village is renowned not only for the excellent wines produced in the vineyard “Gimmeldinger Meerspinne”, the early almond blossoms are also an attraction not to be missed. As early as March, the mild climate allows a scent of almond blossoms to drift through the village and the sea of almond trees in full blossom is

the ideal setting for the coronation of the Almond Blossom Queen during the Mandelblütenfest, now in its 60th year.

- 01** König-Ludwig-Pavillon
- 02** Mithras-Heiligtum (Original in Speyer)
- 03** Alte Burg
- 04** Laurentiuskirche
- 05** Klettergarten Gimmeldingen

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HAARDT: It has always been wine on which the well-being of the village has been based. Half-timbered as well as baroque-style vintners' houses dating back to the 18th Century and decorated with coats of arms and decorative keystones are silent witness of this prosperity. Overlooking the village are the castles of Burg Winzingen and the Haardter Schloss which, together with the Schlossberg and the terraced vineyards characterise this 750 year-old village. This state-approved vacation village is also called the "Balcony of the Palatinate" due to the fact that, in good weather, it is possible to look over the sea of vineyards, right over the valley of the Rhine to as far as Speyer. Easy walking routes lead up from the village to the Mediterranean-like gardens of the Dr. Welsch-Terrasse. Here is also the starting point for a walk up the Leopold-Reitz-Weg (Sonnenweg) to the castle ruins of the Wolfsburg. The educational trail which starts at the Herrenlettenweg provides you with detailed information regarding the viticulture and viniculture of the grape varieties grown locally.

- 01** "Balkon der Pfalz" (Viewpoint)
- 02** Old school built in 1728
- 03** Haardter Schloss
- 04** Castle Winzingen
- 05** Manor houses belonging to the families of Müller-Catoir and Weegmüller

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HAMBACH: Surrounded by a belt of vineyards and chestnut trees, the wine village of Hambach was first mentioned in the year 865 as Haganbach. The state-approved vacation village of Hambach can be divided into three parts: In **Oberhambach** you will find the Jakobuskirche, a baroque church with fortified tower and wall paintings dating back to the 12th Century. The town hall square in **Mittelhambach** is the site of the one-time village poorhouse, later converted into the village taverns “Zum Engel” and the old town hall, erected in baroque-style between 1739 and 1741. The square is also the start of the medieval Schlossgasse which leads up to mighty walls which are the remains of the castle Schlössel Geispitz, now a thriving winemaker’s estate. The Obergasserweg with its breathtaking views over the Rhine valley to the Odenwald and Black Forest leads due south to Unterhambach with its prince-bishop’s hunting lodge, built in 1605, in the Andergasse. Hambach’s destiny and fortune has always been closely associated with that of the Hambacher Schloss.

- 01** Dorfplatz and old town hall
- 02** Historic Schlossgasse
- 03** Jakobuskirche
- 04** Fortification wall Geispitz castle
- 05** Hambacher Schloss
- 06** Andergasse

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KÖNIGSBACH: North of the town of Neustadt lies the state-approved vacation and wine village of Königsbach. The old village centre with the country residence of the Suffragan Bishop of Speyer, built in 1759 and the parish church of St. Johannes still casts a magic spell with its narrow streets and idyllic nooks and crannies. The gothic church tower is a stylistic contradiction to the baroque nave. Inside the church there is a winged altar and one of the last three remaining altarpieces in the Palatinate, dating back to the 15th Century. It depicts the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ against a golden background. Here is also the starting point of the pilgrim's trail with its 14 stages of contemplation which leads up through the Klausental to the "Kapelle der heiligen vierzehn Nothelfer" – the fourteen good Samaritans. Many of the village names go back in time, for example Hirschhornring which can be traced back to the rule of the Knights of Hirschhorn (Neckartal). The building in which, today, the vicarage can be found was once a small castle belonging to these knights. Königsbach is also one of the most sought-after places of residence in Neustadt, not only because of the fantastic views it affords but also because of the wines produced here. The most prestigious

sites are Idig, Ölberg, Jesuitengarten and Reiterpfad. Not to be missed is the beautiful walk up from the village to the Stabenberg (500m) with its outstanding views.

- 01 Old Parsonage**
- 02 Catholic Church**
- 03 Klausenkapelle**
with the fourteen good Samaritans
- 04 Weinstrassenatelier Ludwig Fellner**

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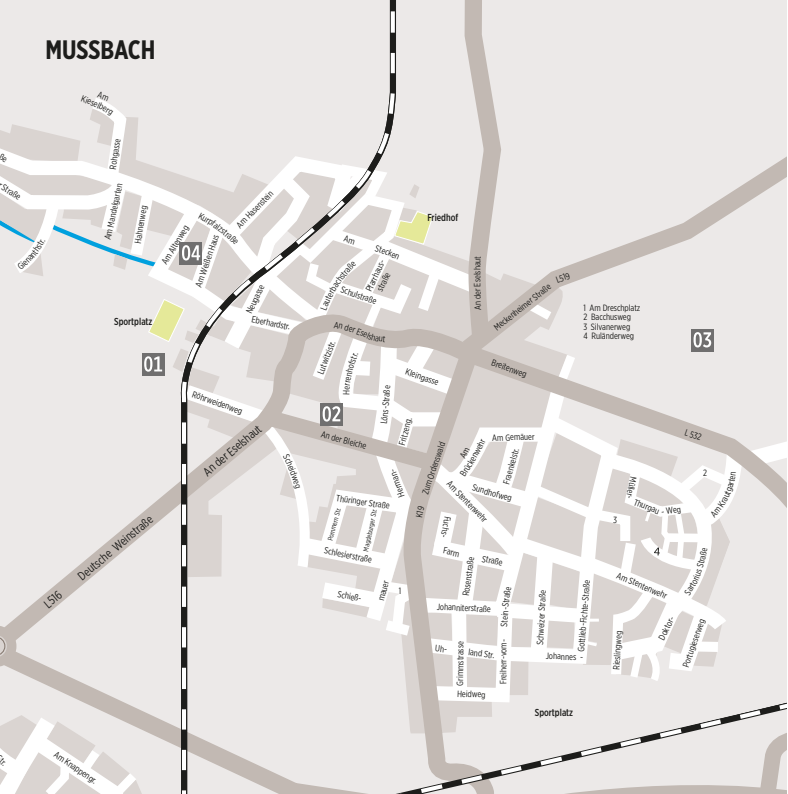
LACHEN-SPEYERDORF: As the name suggests, the two villages of Lachen and Speyerdorf did not always belong together. Today, however, the two villages situated to the southeast of Neustadt have grown together to become the largest of the nine villages belonging to Neustadt. “Lache” is the old name for a small stretch of water whilst “Spiridorf” indicates the proximity to Speyer. As is the case with its neighbouring villages, Lachen-Speyerdorf is much older than the town of Neustadt and was first mentioned in the year AD 775, during the reign of Charles the Great. The rustic charm of the village is to be seen in the artistic, half-timbered houses built in a style of the Alemannen and Franken who used to populate the area. The village has its own airfield, the “Flugplatz Lilienthal” where, during the summer, the Flugsportverein Neustadt offers tandem and single parachute jumps as well as air tours in small motorised planes as well as gliders. The garden belonging to Prof. Gernot Rumpf in the Pestalozzistraße is where you can admire enormous works of art in the form of stone sculptures. This famous artist was also responsible for the Elwedtritsche-Brunnen in Neustadt as well as the unique sundial in front of the Evangelical Church of the village.

- 01** Froschbrunnen designed by Gernot Rumpf's father
- 02** Sun dial at the church
- 03** Charming old center (Bauern doktor-Gros-Straße, Hamm petergässchen)
- 04** Airfield Lachen-Speyerdorf
- 05** Solarpark

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MUSSBACH



MUSSBACH: In the middle of this village, founded over 1300 years ago, is the Herrenhof, a winery founded by the Order of St. John and now the oldest winery in the Palatinate (guided tours available). Today it is an important cultural centre for the region where numerous exhibitions and concerts take place. The most famous vineyard site is the Mußbacher Eselshaut (donkey's skin). The St. Johanniskirche was built in high-Gothic style as a simultaneous church which could be used by both catholic and protestant confessions. The Dienstleistungszentrum Ländlicher Raum (DLR) Rheinpfalz is the place where winegrowers learn how to grow and produce wine as well as being a Research Centre for Viticulture and Vini-culture. The outdoor baths, the Mußbacher Freibad, is the ideal place to cool down during the warm summer months.

- 01** Behetztes Freibad
- 02** Herrenhof mit Weinbaumuseum
- 03** DLR Rheinpfalz und Staatsweingut mit Johannitergut
- 04** Weißes Haus

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MUSEUMS

„Hinauf, hinauf zum Schloss“ An exhibition in honour of the Hambacher Fest 1832, Hambacher Schloss, Neustadt-Hambach: “The Birthplace of German Democracy”. The exhibition documents what happened before, during and after the year 1832. Opening times: April-Oct. 10:00-18:00; Guided tours (duration approx. 45 min.) 11:00, 12:00, 14:00, 15:00 and 16:00; Nov.-March 11:00-17:00, public tours at 11:00, 12:00 and 14:00. Admission fee: permanent exhibition: 4.50 €, reduced rate: 1.50 €, Tel. 06321-926290, www.hambacherschloss.eu

Stadtmuseum Villa Böhm – A voyage of discovery through 800 years of town history. The museum concept of “moving and touching” follows the development of the town and allows the visitor to get to know many of the inventions and achievements of Neustadt’s sons and daughters. Opening times: Wed./Fr. 16:00-18:00, Sat./Sun. 11:00-13:00 and 15:00-18:00, Tel. 06321-855540, Villenstr. 16, www.stadtmuseum-neustadt.de

Otto-Dill-Museum – pure artistic value: Otto Dill is, alongside Max Slevogt, the most well-known painter in the Palatinate - dramatic paintings of bull fights alongside landscape paintings of the Palatinate. Opening times: Wed. to Fri. 14:00-17:00, Sat./Sun. 11:00-17:00, Tel. 06321-398321, Rathausstraße 12, www.otto-dill-museum.de

Eisenbahnmuseum The unique collection of old locomotives, railway carriages, signs and signals makes enthusiasts’ hearts beat faster. Opening times: Tue.-Fri. 10:00-13:00; Sat., Sun., Bank holidays 10:00-16:00.

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Bibelmuseum – the Bible of today and yesterday, Stiftsstraße 23, Opening times: on application, Tel. 06321-84772, www.bibelverein.de

Neustadt-Mußbach, **Weinmuseum** In the oldest winery in the Palatinate: Johanniterweingut Herrenhof, April.-Oct. every 1. Sunday of the month, 14:00-18:00, Tel. 06321-9639990, An der Eselshaut, Tel. 06321-9639990, An der Eselshaut, www.herrenhof-mussbach.de

GUIDED TOURS

A tour of the old town in Neustadt an der Weinstraße, of the largest and best-preserved collection of half-timbered houses in the Palatinate, the Stiftskirche, the Casimirianum and the Elwedritschebrunnen. Wed. and Sat. (April-Oct.) 10:30 Registration: Tel. 06321-926892. Charges: 5 € per person, children: 2 € Meeting point: Tourist-Information, Hetzelplatz 1

Guided tower tour of St. Egid collegiate church (Stiftskirche St. Ägidius) in Neustadt an der Weinstraße Tel. 06321-84179 oder 398931

Nightwatchman’s Tour:

Accompany the nightwatchman on his nightly tour. In the light of his lantern the narrow streets and old buildings appear even older and imposing. Registration (also for groups): Tel. 06321-9268-92. Fee: 8 € per person. (children 4 €). Family ticket (2 adults./ 2 children) 17 €. www.neustadt.pfalz.com/Veranstaltungen

“Ferscht, Weibslait und Revoluzer - the Middle Ages in the Nuwenstadt”. Let yourself be guided back through the ages by VIP’s of the past - the book dealer - Philipp Christmann, Kunigunde Kirchner - Neustadt’s saviour, a hangman’s wife, Count Palatine Johann Casimir, a beguine or a even bellringer. Your guide, dressed in historic garments, will take you on a tour of history through the medieval streets of the town. Fee: 8 € per person (children 4 €) Tel. 06321-926892.

SPECIALS

The **world’s largest cast-iron church bell** is to be found in the Stiftskirche of Neustadt, the most prominent landmark of the town with its Catholic and Protestant areas separated by a wall in the middle of the church. There is a guided tour of the tower and the tower watchman’s quarters every Saturday at 12:00. Tel. 06321-84179

Die **Weinbruderschaft der Pfalz** (the Brotherhood of Wine) which organises not only the annual tasting of Palatinate wines but also the Herrenweinabende “For Men Only Wine Tasting” in October... www.weinbruderschaft-der-pfalz.com.

In response, the fair sex have set up their own website: www.vinissima-ev.de

Numerous inner courtyards in the historic old town are open to the public for cultural events during the month of June. But to get a preview, you only have to stroll through the narrow streets between the rows of half-timbered houses.



The **Classic**
among the Rieslings

MÜLLER-CATOIR
Les Preludes
HAARDT

Freilichttheater im Park der Villa Böhm: (Open Air Theatre): Every year, the Neustadter actor's club organises an entertaining theatre play on their open-air stage:
www.neustadter-schauspielgruppe.de

“Goisemer Winzersfrau”: Dressed in original costumes and accompanied by “vinous songs” and sayings, the winegrowers' wives of Geinsheim will take you on an amusing journey of wine through the historic town centre. Fee: 8 € per person (children 4 €).
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Historical Tour of the wine village of Neustadt-Hardt (May to Oct.), Wednesdays, Fee: 5 € per person, Tel. 06321-60138. www.neustadt.pfalz.com/Veranstaltungen

Botanical Tours in Neustadt-Hardt (May to Oct.), Fee: 5 € per person,
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NEUSTADT-HAMBACH: Historical tour of the village “Von der Geschichte zum Wein” April to October every Thursday; Schultheiß-Führung – “Stories and Anecdotes about Hambach”
Dates on application. Tel. 06321-926892, www.neustadt.pfalz.com

“Wine & Culture - the town tour with a difference”. A wine expert accompanies you through the old town where you will have the opportunity of tasting the variety of style and flavours wines from the Palatinate have to offer. The perfect activity for an afternoon or as a special corporate event. Tel. 06321-926860, www.pfalztours.eu ... for groups of up to 10 persons: 260 € (each additional person: 20 €).

Neustadt – Town of the Hambacher Festival: On the day of the Hambach Festival (1832) on May 27th of each year, actors and historical pageanties make this historical day come alive again. Tel. 06321-926892

Hunting the “Elwedritsche” – an encounter with this legendary animal of the Palatinate and the wines that go with it. Following a briefing into what to do and what not to do, the hunt starts accompanied by music, the inevitable Palatinate Schoppen (half-litre wine glass), a hunting sack and lantern. The reward for such hard labour is a hunting licence with a guaranteed success. Dates and further information available under Tel. 06321-926892.

Trips with the “Kuckucksbähnel”, the historical steam locomotive, from Neustadt through the romantic valley of Elmstein to the three castles overlooking Lambrecht, Erfenstein and Elmstein. From April to October, every 2nd Sunday in the month as well as on official bank holidays. The journeys start at 10:44 on platform 5 of the main railway station in Neustadt. Tel. 06321-30390

Palatinate Coffee ? Watch how fragrant coffee is made from greenish-yellow raw coffee beans, every Friday at 16:00 in the Kaffeemanufaktur BlankRoast, Mussbacher Landstrasse 21. Registration requested under Tel. 06321-937880

You can find the entire range of guided tours in and around Neustadt an der Weinstrasse on the internet. For individual guests: www.neustadt.pfalz.com/Veranstaltungen; and for groups: www.pfalztours.eu/Reisebausteine/Führungen und Reiseleitungen.



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HASSLOCH

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WHAT TO SEE IN HASSLOCH – THE HISTORICAL TOWN CENTRE



01

“Villa Rustica”: At the end of the Moltkestrasse, near the cemetery, there used to be an old Roman road. The baths, the fountain and the commercial buildings of the one-time Roman estate situated on the road were partly reconstructed in 1998/1999. The remains of the building still carry the signs of damage by fire. Coins found here and which are now on display in the local museum “Ältestes Haus” have been dated back to the year 348.



02

“Jewish Cemetery”: The last witness of the Jewish population in Hassloch can be seen at the Jewish cemetery, situated at the end of the Dr. Siebenpfeifer-Strasse. Not only its historical significance but also the strikingly different gravestones illustrate the development from the 19th to the 20th Century.



03

“Old Cemetery”: This listed monument was built in the year 1767 outside of the village to replace the individual cemeteries situated at each of the three churches representing a different Christian denomination. Of particular interest are the elaborate gravestones and tombstones as well as the war memorials dating back to both the First and Second World Wars and the German/French War. The cemetery is intersected by an avenue of impressive chestnut trees.



04

“Art and the Art of Saving”: The interaction of art and culture as well as its artists with the region has been vividly depicted by the local savings bank (Kreissparkasse). The regional distinctions of Hassloch have been illustrated by the sculptor Karl Seiter in his works of art set outside the Kreissparkasse. The fountains with a bicycle, the tobacco leaves, the horse’s head and the referee’s flag, representing the sporting side of village life, are how an artist symbolises Hassloch.



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“The Industrial Worker with his Breadbag”: A large-as-life bronze sculpture created by Matyas Terebesi has been situated at one end of the Bahnhofstrasse since 2001. The figure represents the industrial workers of Hassloch who had to travel all the way to Ludwigshafen to work for the BASF and thus made a major contribution to the industrialisation of Hassloch.



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“Christus Kirche”: This church was built between 1752 and 1754, facing due south. On the east side can be found the tower of its predecessor, built in 1700, which still contains the Gothic chancel dating back to the Ulrich’s Chapel of the Middle Ages. The east side is dominated by a four-storied tower with a neo-Romanesque bell chamber. The organ is the original organ of 1754 whilst the church complex is typical for the architectural style of Protestant churches in the 18th Century.

WHAT TO SEE IN HASSLOCH – THE HISTORICAL TOWN CENTRE

“Fountain Sculptures on the Rathausplatz”: The artist, Heinz Brzoska, has designed three water-spitting sculptures made out of bronze which, together, form an artist’s mural – “Flowerly Romantic”, “Animal Dreams” and “The Fearless Ones”.



Hassloch – More than just a village”: Peter Brauchle created this sculpture as a focal point in front of the Town Hall. Reigning over a brick foundation are depicted some of the most impressive sights in Hassloch – the Old Town Hall, the race course, the Christus Church, the old railway station and a mill.



“The Family of Cyclists”: A typical scene of everyday life in Hassloch depicting a family on their bicycles. Designed and constructed by the artist, Günter Zeuner, in 1989 it can be found at the entrance to the Rathausplatz, on the corner of the Langgasse.



“Langgasse”: The entire street is a collection of old houses/barns with inner courtyards dating back to the 18th Century. Many of them are registered as listed buildings such as house numbers 134/136, 141 and 156/158. Dating back to the 19th and early 20th Centuries are house numbers 103 and 141a. There are also a host of smaller half-timbered houses which dominate the street and are decorated with the traditional house vines, roses and wisteria.



“Altes Rathaus”: Situated on the corner of the Rössel/Pfarrgasse is the Old Town Hall, built in the year 1784/85. This two-storied building, a memorial of times gone-by, displays an impressive hipped roof with an onion tower. The outside staircase leads up to the main entrance, which is covered with a bonneted porch. Nowadays, this building is home to the village music school.



“St. Galluskirche”: Situated opposite the Lutherkirche is the catholic church of St. Gallus, built between 1968 and 1970 for the third time, this time as a modern concrete construction. The only remaining memory of the first church is the gravestone of the priest Johannes Ros dating back to 1410 along with Madonna and Pieta.





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Lutherkirche: Built in 1729/30 as the first Lutheran parish church following the official authorisation of this religious denomination in the year 1705. The funding came from all over Germany and also with the support of the aristocratic family of Leiningen. The church is relatively small with the basilica facing due south with an interesting broken gabled roof and octagonal ridged turret.



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Ältestes Haus: The oldest house still standing in Hassloch is situated in the Gillerstrasse 11 and dates back to the year 1599. Today it is home to the museum of local history. Archaeological finds dating back to the Stone Age as well folkloristic collections relate the history of the village. The museum is open on the first and third Sunday of the month from 15:00 hrs until 17:30 hrs, or by arrangement and admission is free of charge. The inner courtyard is the scene of cultural events.



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Mühlenbrunnen: A fountain designed as a reminder of the old mills of Hassloch and given the symbolic name of "Mill Fountain". The top stone represents the "Aumühle" built in 1858. Underneath it is the "Fronmühle", followed by the "Sägmühle". The fifth stone is a reminder of the "Obermühle" whilst the sixth and bottom stone was given the name of the "Pfalzmühle". The fountain is situated in the Schillerstrasse, on the corner of the Brühl.



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Pfalzmühle: This mill dates back to the year 1840. Since it doesn't stand on the bank of the River Rehbach, a millstream was constructed to drive the turbines with river water. After the Second World War the mill was used mainly for livestock farming and its function as a mill was discontinued in 1964. Since 1969 the surrounding fields have been used for horse breeding together with riding stables. An international horse show takes place every year during the month of September.



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Obermühle: The Obermühle was constructed in the year 1745 as an expansion to the other mills in order to deal with the increased demand for corn resulting from the rapidly growing population. Although it was shut down in 1936, the old mill canal with its characteristic embankment is still in existence. In 2009, following a long period of use as a riding stable, the mill underwent extensive reconstruction to become a convention and workshop centre with historic horse stables.



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Fronmühle: The first records of the Fronmühle were made in the 13th century in the register of fief ownership of the Monastery of Weissenburg. Built on the banks of the River Speyerbach, this mill is the oldest watermill in Hassloch and was first shut down a few years ago. The old tavern, constructed over a 100 year's ago for the use of the mill's customers, is still in use, as such, under the name "Landgasthof Zur Fronmühle".

Sägmühle: First mentioned towards the end of the 13th century as belonging to the bishop of Speyer. Its original name of "Röthmühle" refers to the colouring pigment "Röth" which was extracted from the common madder, one of the original functions of this mill. Although the mill was shut down in 1971, a water turbine has been producing electricity since 1983. In 1989 the entire property was rebuilt to become a renowned hotel and restaurant with impressive inner courtyard.



Neumühle: Although first mentioned in the year 1608, it is conceivable that this mill dates back to the late Middle Ages. The Neumühle has fallen prey to fire at least three times, the last being in 1936. Next to the mill used to be the Hasslocher public swimming baths. The mill was discontinued in 1972. Since then the buildings have been in private possession but are opened to the public once a year, in September, on the occasion of the official water mill cycling tour.



Aumühle: Built in the year 1858 by the Hasslocher miller, Adam Heene, the mill was burnt down in the year 1932. It was then purchased and rebuilt by the Brauch family but was no longer used as a mill. Since 1986 an undershot wheel has been generating electricity for the family, with any surplus being relayed onto the town council of Hassloch. The current owner, Fritz Brauch, runs a restaurant in the old mill building, with an attractive outdoor sitting area.



Der Holiday Park - A family-friendly leisure park for all ages. Since 1973 it has been considerably expanded and now covers an area of 100 acres and offers something for everyone. Whether a water ski stunt show, a free fall tower, the best steel rollercoaster in Europe or for the younger visitors, "Maya the Bee", the little green dragon "Tabaluga" and "Vicky the Viking" with their fair-ground rides. Open from the beginning of April until the end of October. www.holidaypark.de



Der Badepark Haßloch - The public baths of Hassloch have been designed for the entire family, both the small ones and grown-ups, during the entire year. Whether a sauna, a steam bath or the adventure area, there is something for everyone. www.badepark.de



Der Haßlocher Vogelpark: Set in idyllic surroundings of old trees and a lovingly-restored park lake, the bird park is the home of both local and exotic birds. For those visitors interested in learning more about the world of birds and plants, a visit to the Rennbahn street number 161 is a must.





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Pferderennbahn: Set in the woods surrounding Hassloch, the racecourse is one of the most attractive courses in Germany. The Hasslocher horse club organises two or three top-class events throughout the year. The main event is the “Hasslocher Meile” organised as both a horse race in family-friendly surroundings as well as a supporting programme making a visit well worthwhile. www.rennverein-hassloch.de



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Wehlachweiher: The three Hasslocher wetlands invite you to enjoy a pleasant walk or just to relax and wind down. For those more active, you can borrow angling equipment from the local fishing club. The three wetlands, one of which is under wildlife protection, are set in the most natural surroundings and are easily reached by bicycle or following a short walk, by car. Bathing is not permitted, out of respect for flora and fauna.

MUSEUMS

Museum of local history “Ältestes Haus” – at Gillergasse 11 in Hassloch: go on a journey through peasant life of the past in a historic farmhouse with a Museum grange and a Museum garden. Opening hours: March-December: every first and third Sunday of the month, 15-17:30. Guided tours and visits all-the-year on reservation.

Tel. 06324-981613 oder 06324-3366 www.hassloch.de

GUIDED TOURS

Historical tours of the village (duration 2 hours) through the largest village in the State of Rheinland-Pfalz. Fee 50 € per group of max. 30 persons. Includes a tour of the tower of the Christ Church (approx. 30 minutes) The groups are split into three groups, each 10 persons. Additional charges 10 €. Available dates on request. Tel. 06324-935225, www.hassloch.de

Local History Museum “Ältestes Haus”: Guided tours (duration 2 hours, free of charge – donations welcome) back through the farming history of Hassloch, includes the museum’s barn and garden. Info regarding size of groups and dates available. Tel. 06324-981613 or 3366

Tour of the tower of the Christ Church (see above), Tel. 06324-935225, www.hassloch.de

Natural history tours with different topics depending on the time of the year (free of charge); e.G. plants and flowers, traditional field orchards, forest walks, mushroom searching and river walks as well as many more. Available dates on request. Tel. 06324-3725 or 935225.

NATURE TRAILS

Forest walks and nature trails through the Hasslocher Woods including thirteen thematic sites: a tree telephone, a bare-foot path, a bee’s hotel, a reptile’s tavern, a heavenly rest, a classroom, a wood puzzle, a wooded labyrinth, measuring trees, long jump, dead woods, a stalker’s way, a house of roots and other art projects. Start and finish is at the August-Schön-Weg. Tel. 06324-935225, www.hassloch.de. Not far away is also a children’s playground with more than 20 different pieces of playground equipment.

Hasslocher Mühlenwanderweg: A romantic tour of Hassloch’s watermills via the woods. You visit six well-preserved mills along a trail of 24 kilometres, some of which offer food and drink. Further information available under Tel. 06324-935225.

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Hassloch and the Hazelnut: the first documentary reference to Hassloch dates back to 773 A.D. in a document belonging to the Monastery of Weissenburg where the name “Hasalaha” is used. This is old German and means “waters flowing through hazelnut shrubs”. Hazelnut specialities including hazelnut recipes are available all the year round at the Tourist Information.



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Flyers giving more information about all these attractions can be downloaded from www.mountainbikepark-pfaelzerwald.de or ordered from the main office.

MUNICIPALITY OF LAMBRECHT

“**Tal Vital**” the “Vivacious Valley” is the name given to the municipality of Lambrecht (Pfalz) – since it is here that **Mother Nature** has prepared an open air fitness studio! What more satisfying way is there to enjoy the surroundings than with your lungs full of wooded air and beads of perspiration on your brow? Let’s face it, the **Palatinate Forest** is both naturally fascinating as well as bewitching and for those of you who merely expected to see nothing but trees are bound to be surprised by the variety of exciting experiences for all your senses. See, smell, taste and feel the surroundings and it is bound to be love at first sight. You will be able to wander along **superb hiking tracks** in the shade of the leafy tree tops which are particularly attractive in autumn when they turn the forest into a symphony of colours. For the ambitious **mountain biker** there are over 300 km of well-marked tracks in the middle of the forest, in the **Mountainbikepark Pfälzerwald**. Technically challenging set between forest lakes, hills and endless wooded sections with fast changing climbs and descents, the ambitious biker will find all he needs to test his prowess. For those who prefer more **ease and comfort**, there are also more even forest tracks with amazing views. Every year there are mountain bike events such as marathons, night rides and guided tours - see also www.mountainbikepark-pfaelzerwald.de. For the **Nordic walkers** amongst you there are **seven officially accredited parks** covering 170 km of signposted tracks, ranging from beginner’s level right up to more demanding routes. In many of the villages there are also guided tours, runners’ meets or training courses led by experienced coaches as well as marathon and biathlon runs. And having exerted oneself on one of the tours, what could be more satisfying than sampling the culinary delights of the Palatinate in one of the many **forest taverns** available. **Outdoor sports** in the Palatinate Forest is what we call getting to know each other, both in the open air as well as when we join in with the villagers of the area at the tavern table - there where a “Bye bye” also means a “Hiya”.

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MUSEUMS

ELMSTEIN: Alte Samenklenge - a museum devoted to the history of forests and tree seeds. Erected in 1913 in the village of Elmstein, this was one of eight seed stores in Germany where tree seeds were dried and stored for use by future generations. See how the seeds were collected and prepared in times gone by. Opening times: Opening times: March to November: Wednesdays/Saturdays/Sundays and Bank Holidays 14:00 - 17:00, December to February: closed, Tel. 06328-234, www.alte-samenklenge.de

FRANKENECK: Papiermacher- und Heimatmuseum: Museum of local history and paper-making. Guided tours including a demonstration of how paper used to be made by hand. Admission 2 €. Tel. 06325-2564, www.museum.frankeneck.de

LAMBRECHT (Pfalz): Edith-Stein-Ausstellung: an exhibition devoted to the German-Jewish philosopher who was canonized in 1987 for her efforts during Hitler's Germany. Advance reservation required (guided tours also available in English) Toni-Schröder-Haus, Hauptstr. 93, Tel. 06325-980456

NATURE TRAILS

ELMSTEIN: Mordkammerloch-Pfad und Quelle: Terraced dry stone walls and how they were used in former times explained on mounted posters. Tel. 06328-234, www.elmstein.de

ERFENSTEIN: 3-Burgen-Rundwanderweg: A walking trail combining the three ruined castles of Erfenstein, Breitenstein and Burg Spangenberg. On each side of the Speyerbach in the romantic valley of Elmstein. Total length approx. 7 km. www.burg-spangenberg.de

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SPECIAL EVENTS

LAMBRECHT (PFALZ):

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ELMSTEIN:

Easter market at Easter

WEIDENTHAL:

"Sleepless in the Saddle (Seattle)" A night ride for mountain bikers on the first weekend of August.

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Point of entry into the Mountainbikepark Pfälzerwald:

www.mountainbikepark-pfaelzerwald.de

Kuckucksbühnel: the historical steam railway which steams its way into the Palatinate Forest from the main railway station in Neustadt to Elmstein, every fortnight on Saturdays and Sundays. Info: timetable and advance group bookings Tel. 06321-30390, www.eisenbahnmuseum-neustadt.de



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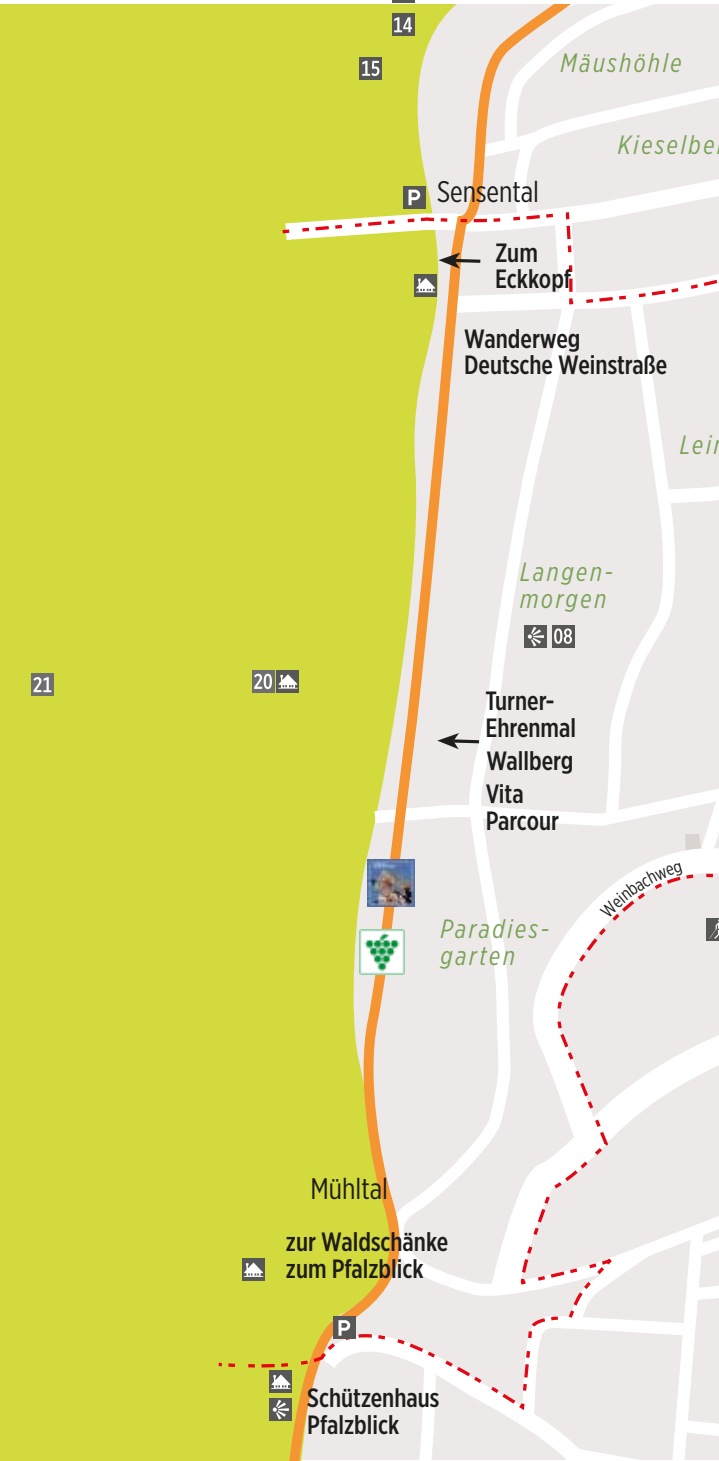
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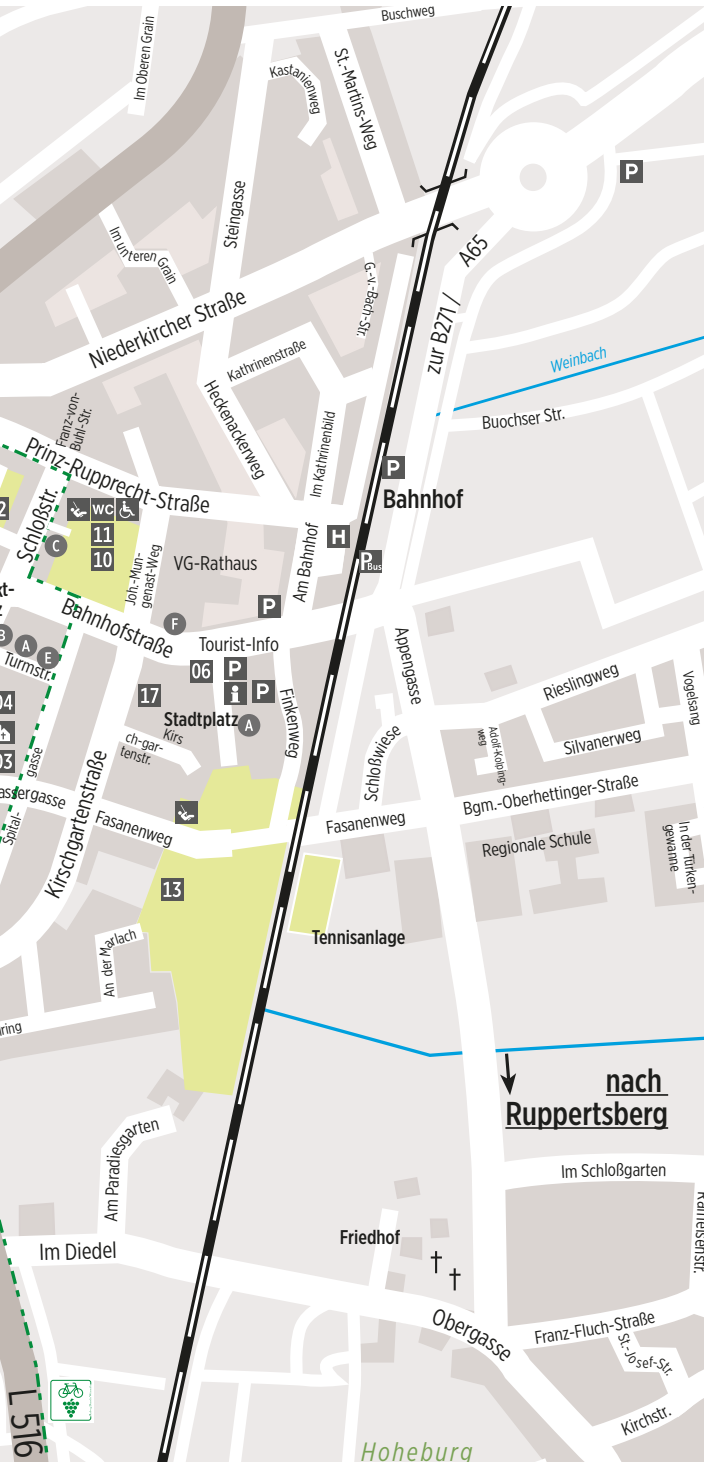
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A TOUR OF THE TOWN OF DEIDESHEIM



01

Historisches Rathaus: The historical town hall, dating back to the 16th century lies in the middle of the town, on the market place. Its most striking feature is the covered, double-sided outdoor staircase. Stained glass windows display the coats of arms of the local gentry in the year 1912 and provide suitable surroundings for the traditional Billy Goat Auction which takes place every year on Whit Tuesday.



01

Museum of Wine Culture: This museum, situated in the historical Rathaus, demonstrates the interaction of man and wine in everyday life. Religion, health, the sciences, the economy or politics, they are all influenced by the world of wine. Admission free. Opening times - see page 70!



01

Ausstellung Portal Biosphärenreservat im historischen Rathaus: Also in the town hall is an interesting exhibition regarding the subject of the Palatinate Forest as a biosphere reserve. Also available is additional information and excursion tips to this biosphere.



02

Katholische Kirche St. Ulrich: the nave of this impressive Catholic church, built between 1440 and 1480, looks over the market place. It contains figures of saints dating back to 1480, a late Gothic glass painting and neo-Gothic choir stools. The outer walls have been decorated with tombstones from various eras as well as a cemetery cross from the 15th century.



02

Beinhaus: This charnel house is significant as being the last one of its kind in the Palatinate. Now used as a memorial site for those killed in action during the two World Wars it has a collection of tombstones and a few remains of the old rood screen.



03

Bürgerhospital: Weinstraße 39 is the address of the old hospital, founded in 1494 to take care of the sick amongst the villagers as well as travellers. Still to be seen is the original hospital church with its late-Gothic tower and a hospital building from the 18th Century. The other renovated buildings now house a guest house, the café "Alt Deidesheim", as well as a short-term nursing home.

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Deutsches Film- und Fototechnik Museum: The museum gives the visitor an insight into the history and development of films and photography over the past 100 years. It acknowledges the work, insight and ability of those who by virtue of creativity and hard work have created masterpieces of optical precision. Weinstraße 33. Free entrance. Please refer to page 79 for the opening times.

04



Jüdischer Friedhof: Set up in the 18th Century, it displays gravestones from 1713 right up to the 20th Century – the synagoge in the Bahnhofstraße dates back to the 19th Century. It was sold by the Jewish community in 1936 and is used today for concerts, exhibitions and lectures.

05



Geißbockbrunnen: Created in 1985 by the local sculptor Gernod Rumpf it stands in front of the Stadthalle “Paradiesgarten”. It amusingly depicts the Deidesheim Billy Goat auction which takes place every year on Whit Tuesday amidst historical settings.

06



Andreasbrunnen: Donated in the year 1851 by the Jordan family and now the focal point of the historical market place, this fountain is based on the Italian originals of the Renaissance and is an outstanding example of the art of iron casting in the Palatinate.

07



Eva im Paradiesgarten: In an effort to highlight the vineyard of the same name belonging to the Weingut Dr. Deinhard, Eva was erected outside this vineyard at the beginning of the 1950's. Unfortunately the enthusiasm for her exposed extremities was not shared by the local clergy so that a cast-iron dress of vines had to be added. In later years she was allowed to shed this extra piece of clothing.

08



Wayside shrines: In the countryside surrounding Deidesheim there are numerous wayside shrines and other religious artefacts to be seen, dating back to the Middle Ages. Of outstanding interest is the “Bildstock im Grain” situated between two stone crosses on the old road that used to run around the northwest side of the town. Built in 1431 as a boundary stone, it depicts the crucifixion of Christ.

09



A TOUR OF THE TOWN OF DEIDESHEIM



10

Das ehemalige fürstbischöfliche Schloss im Schlosspark: In the 13th Century the prince-bishops of Speyer had a moated castle built in Deidesheim. In 1689 both the town and the castle were destroyed with only the keep surviving. Rebuilding took place in 1740 when Kardinal Graf von Schönborn needed a summer residence. In the castle gardens there is a collection of rare plants from all over the world.



11

Erlebnisgarten: An outdoor leisure area for both young and old. It is part of the old castle gardens (main entrance in the Prinz-Rupprecht-Str.) and offers a nine-hole golf facility, a rock climbing area, water games, an “awake your senses” experience and much more. A Service Centre with kiosk and barrier-free public restrooms complete this unusual recreational area. Opening times: April – October from Wednesday to Sunday and bank holidays from 11:00 to 18:00 hrs.



12

Deidesheimer Turmschreiber: Every two years a well-known writer is invited to Deidesheim to record his impressions and experiences of the town and its villagers in a book. His wages are two litres of wine per day which are brought to the tower in which he lives, set in the medieval town moat. When he is at home, the town flag is raised.



13

Botanischer Garten: Plants more commonly found around the Mediterranean such as fig trees can be found not only in the Schlosspark, but also in the Stadtgarten where they are especially prominent on the Mediterranean terrace.



14

Michaelskapelle: On the Kirchberg, just two kilometres west of the town centre, can be found the late-Gothic chapel “Michaelskapelle”. Built in the year 1470 and then, following a long period of disrepair, finally renovated in 1952.



15

Heidenlöcher bei Deidesheim: 2.5 km west of Deidesheim are the remains of the famous oppida or hill fort originally built in the 9th or 10th Century to afford protection to the villagers from marauding invaders. The excavations have now unearthed the foundations of two gateways which were encompassed by 450 metres of earthworks.

A TOUR OF THE TOWN OF DEIDESHEIM

“Oase im Paradiesgarten”: The heated outdoor swimming pool is romantically set in the middle of vineyards. It is also the starting point for Nordic-Walking trails of various levels of difficulty.

16



Stadthalle “Paradiesgarten”: The focal point of cultural life in and around Deidesheim. Drama, concerts, receptions, festivals, they all take place here. Even the so-called boulevard theatre with its performances in local dialect has found its home here (Tel. 06326-981801). “Paradiesgarten” Deidesheim, Bahnhofstraße 11, Tel. 06326-9677-0

17



Geschichts- und Brauchtumsbrunnen: This fountain depicts the various stages of the development of the town of Deidesheim – the granting of civic rights (the crown), the affiliation to the diocese of Speyer (the pastoral staff), the Billy Goat Auction, the Writer in the Tower and many more.

18



Biotop Am Kirchengenberg: this biotope was set up to save the living conditions for flora and fauna for the future.

Geotop Am Kirchengenberg: a unique view of the geological diversity of the Rhine valley and the history of our Earth can be had at this unusual geotope.

19



Der Wallberg: One of the most popular destinations for wanderers and sightseers alike is the Wallberg, to the west of Deidesheim. Not to be overseen is the Turnerehrenmal (gymnast’s memorial) next to the old sports ground, which is the annual scene of a popular gymnastic festival on Ascension Day. A few metres further on is the Wallberg-Gaststätte with its wide selection of Palatinate culinary delights.

20



Der Eckkopfturm: An observation point, approx. 25 metres high, is the meeting point for ramblers on their way between Bad Dürkheim and Neustadt. Practically all the trails leading up from the German Wine Street lead to the tower, situated on the summit of a hill at an elevation 516 Meter. Open for refreshments during the weekend and on Bank Holidays, the round view from the top is breath-taking.

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THE ARTIST'S TRAIL

Tourism, the arts and culture have always been entwined in the wine town of Deidesheim. The mild and sunny climate, the countryside, the wines and the colours associated with all these have set the scene for relaxation and creativity. It is therefore not surprising to discover that a large number of artists have allowed themselves to be inspired by the creative ambience in the town. The resulting works of art are an expression of the versatility and cosmopolitanism to be found in Deidesheim.

The artist's trail unites the artists and their galleries in the historic centre of Deidesheim. This unique integration is also the main theme of the two museums in the town. You can use this brochure to follow the signs and immerse in a world of art and culture rarely encountered. Allow yourself to be inspired by the creativity of the artists and their exhibitions and enjoy this stroll through Deidesheim - "the other name for Paradise"!

CULTURE AND THE ARTS

A **Ausstellung & Atelier rab-paqué**

Birgit Rau-Paqué, Oil paintings "It is the great thinkers who remind us of the fact that we should endow our pictures with a heterogenic concept of time" - Chris Dercon, Atelierhaus Deidesheim, Bahnhofstr. 5, Tel. 06326-981527, Fax 06326-701961, Mobil 0170-8990304, atelier.rab@t-online.de, www.rab-paque.de

Small exhibition at: Weinlokal Turmstüb'l,

Turmstr. 3 Guide tours at any time after prior notification by telephone

B **Goldschmiede Gabriele Krack, Richard Rehbach-Krack**

"Bewitch your senses with joy but jewellery with its own idiosyncrasy. Valuable master pieces made for people with personality by masters of obstinacy". Marktplatz 6, Tel. 06326-981960, Fax 06326-981961 info@goldschmiede-krack.de www.goldschmiede-krack.de Tue. - Fr. 10:00-12:30 und 15:00-19:00, Sat. 10:00-17:00, or after prior notification by telephone, closed Mondays

C **Schlossmanufaktur – Friederike Zeit, Potter and sculptress**

"Containers in classic-functional shapes, sculptures", Schloßstr. 6, Tel. 06326-5967, friederikezeit@t-online.de, www.friederikezeit.de, www.intonation-deidesheim.de Wed. + Fr. 14:30-18:00, Sat. 14:00-16:00 and after prior notification by telephone

D **Lotte Reimers, Archive – Studio – Exhibition**

"Ceramics: containers and works of art, shaped and glazed using glaze made out of the ashes of vines and stone, sole editions", Stadtmauergasse 17, 67146 Deidesheim Tel. 06326-1222, www.LotteReimers.de, Opening times on application

E **Bildhauerei Bettina C. Morio**

"Figurative work from stone and bronze, fountains, tombstones, animal sculptures and also of homo sapiens in all his various moods", Heumarktstr. 10, Fr. + Sat. 15:00-18:00 and after prior notification by telephone, Tel. + Fax 06326-4112, Mobil 0171-5163423 atelier-morio@t-online.de, www.morio-sculptures.com, www.moriokunst.de

F **Atelier MEBO (Dr. Georg Wiesert)**

Bahnhofstr. 16, Opening times, Sat. + Sun. when an exhibit displaying "geöffnet" is in front of the house or on arrangement, Tel. 0172-4790541

G **Wine & Art Oliver Schaub**

"Modern and abstract art in acrylic paint, combined with the sale of wines and sparkling wines from the region", Schwimmbadstr. 12, Tel. 06326-8690 or 0174-1033722, www.oliverschaub.com

H **Atelier Rena Simmat-Stoll**

An artist's workshop displaying paintings and drawings „Reflexion – Experiment – Intuition“, Bennstrasse 36, opening times can be arranged under Tel. 06326-989098

SPECIALS

Turmschreiberei

Every two years a well-known writer is invited to Deidesheim to record his impressions and experiences of the town and its villagers in a book and resides in this round tower made of sandstone. www.deidesheim.de

Deidesheimer Rebstockaktion

Celebrities from the world of politics, business or culture are the proud owners of a single vine in a vineyard belonging to the famous site Paradiesgarten.

www.weinkultur-deidesheim.de

Kerwebuwe

Since 1972 the Kerwebuwe - unmarried men in black-tailed suits - and their "speeches" in local dialect have been an integral part of the Deidesheimer Wine Festival.

www.kerwebuwe.de

"Feigengasse"

More than 100 years ago, the Mayor of Deidesheim, Dr. Ludwig v. Bassermann-Jordan recommended planting the fig trees he had brought back with him from a holiday in Tuscany in front of every house in the Deichelgasse.

Kandierte Früchte von Josef Biffar

A "must" for all lovers of sweet things, candied fruit and unusual chocolates made by the official supplier of sweet ginger to the Royal Family. Tel. 06326-9676-0, www.biffar.com

Deidesheim is cittaslow

Deidesheim was the first town in Rhineland-Pfalz and the ninth town in Germany to be designated "cittaslow". "This is a worldwide cooperation of towns where people live who are fascinated by the subject of endless time. Of towns rich in theatres, cafés, restaurants where unspoiled landscapes and the fascinating world of art play an ever-increasing importance in town life. Where one can relearn the fascination of slowness, the alternation of the seasons, the authenticity of food and wine and regain the spontaneity of old traditions and customs..."

A total of 100 towns throughout the world, 8 of which are situated in Germany, have committed themselves to these ideals. Deidesheim met with the specified criteria far beyond what was required.

Portal Biosphere Reserve Pfälzerwald/Nordvogesen

The unique site of Deidesheim between the biosphere reserve Pfälzerwald and the metropolitan region Rhein-Neckar is the ideal setting for a gateway to this biosphere with information centre, in the historical town hall. There is also additional information available dealing with waterways, flora and fauna, hiking trails and sights worth seeing. Of particular interest is a raised-relief map of the area showing the effect of the sun during the year on the vineyards and the Palatinate Forest from a viewpoint in the middle of the vineyards. Further information is available, free of charge, from an Internet terminal. (opening times as for Museum für Weinkultur)



FORST: Kirchenstück and Ungeheuer, Jesuitengarten and Musenhang – these are all **Riesling vineyards of international fame.** They all belong to the village of Forst which, with only 700 inhabitants, is the smallest village in the holiday region of Deidesheim. Basalt soils and weathered sandstone, mixed with chalk and clay afford ideal conditions of growth for the King of Wines – the Riesling. Just as regal is the village itself with many old winegrowers’ cottages lining the cobbled-stone main street. Well worth seeing are the two statues depicting the “Ungeheuer” (monster) at both ends of the village and the Hansel-Fingerhut fountain. For those of you feeling hungry or thirsty, there are many cosy restaurants and wine taverns where you can sample the delights of the Palatinate cuisine. And for those of you who like to celebrate there is the **Hansel-Fingerhut festival** in Lent, the **“Weinfest beim Ungeheuer”**, in August where all the wines produced in the village can be tasted and at springtime **“Riesling und mehr”** when the best wines of them all can be enjoyed.

- 01 Madonna**
Erected and donated by Weingut Dr. Deinhard, Deidesheim to protect the famous vineyard “Mariengarten”
- 02 Church**
The village of Forst is dominated by the pointed steeple of the parish church, St. Margareta. This baroque building was destroyed in 1689 and re-built in 1723 according to a late-Gothic layout.
- 03 Schloß**
This Renaissance-style castle, built in 1600, is the one-time residence of the Freiherren von Warmboldt-Umstadt.
- 04 Hansel-Fingerhut-Brunnen:**
A fountain depicting the fun-loving but somewhat careless young man in the legend of Hansel Fingerhut, who tries to give all the girls a „sooty“kiss. A festival of the same name takes place every year on the fourth Sunday of the season of Lent.



MECKENHEIM: “Is this the proverbial Land of Milk and Honey?” Is a thought which must go through the minds of many a visitor to Meckenheim. And if the Palatinate is the Garden of Eden then Meckenheim is the market place for such delights. These are offered for sale both on the streets in front of their houses as well as in the inner courtyards - fruit and vegetables, potatoes of the very highest quality and of course, wine - directly from the producer. But there are also other reasons for a stopover in Meckenheim, for example, the distilleries which have helped Meckenheim to achieve the reputation it now enjoys amongst lovers of high-proof beverages. There is also a small Brennereimuseum, where you can learn more about the art and technique of distilling. Lovers of fine wines can look over 500 acres of fine vineyards before embarking on a relaxing stroll through the orchards of the village. Impressive winemakers’ courtyards and half-timbered houses line the peaceful streets of the village. For those of you looking for a bit more excitement there is the wine festival “Gässelweinkerwe” on the last weekend in May or the parish fair at the beginning of September when it is usually possible to taste the first wines of the new vintage.

01 Church
The baroque catholic parish church St. Ägidius was built in the 18th Century. The left-hand altar from around 1700 is particularly noteworthy.

02 Distiller’s Museum Meckenheim
A documentation of the history of alcoholic distillation together with a tasting (on application). Hauptstraße 36, Opening times and info see page 70.

An Overview of the Village Meckenheim, the gate to the “Mittelhaardt”, is characterised by well-kept half-timbered houses, winegrowers’ courtyards and farms dating back to the 16th and 18th centuries. The village is surrounded by orchards, vineyards and farming land. A visit during the spring can be thoroughly recommended when the orchards are in full blossom.



NIEDERKIRCHEN: A translation of the village name proves to be a contradiction in terms, since there is not a single „low church“ to be seen. Indeed the view from the foothills of the Haardt is automatically arrested by the massive white walls of the Vierungsturm, the crossing tower of the church, built in the 11th Century. Surrounding the church is a lively wine community, which itself is set in a sea of vines. Winegrowers' houses, both new and old, determine the character of the village and for those who would just like to wander around the quiet backstreets and narrow alleyways, there are always new romantic sights to be seen in this 900 year-old community. Comfortable guesthouses – some offering meat from their own farms, together with cosy wine taverns ensure that there is always a choice to be had – accompanied, of course, by wines produced in such vineyards as Osterbrunnen, Klostergarten und Schloßberg. Today, this over 1,300 years old village has 2,400 fun-loving inhabitants, all of whom know how to celebrate. This can be seen by the commendation as the “Most Attractive Wine Festival in the Palatinate” The most popular wine festival is the “Fest um den Wein“ which, on the last weekend of June, attracts many thousands of visitors.

01 Church

Niederkirchen has one of the oldest Christian architectural monuments in the Palatinate - the Catholic parish church of St. Martin. The building is particularly significant since it was built at the same time and in the same style as other Palatinate churches from the High Middle Ages such as Speyer Cathedral and the Limburg Monastery Church. The most obvious part of the church is the crossing tower built during the second half of the 11th Century.

02 Chrysolithof:

A typical village building dating back to approx. 1800 and with its baking oven still in use. Often used as the village's “Best Room” for cultural events.

An Overview of the Village

Niederkirchen is the birthplace of Deidesheim, which was once known as “Nieder-Deidesheim”. Winegrowers' houses, both new and old, determine the character of the village with its romantic back streets and alleyways crammed with winegrowers' wine taverns and restaurants.



RUPPERTSBERG: Side by side at the foot of the Haardt Hills lie Deidesheim and Ruppertsberg. Particularly conspicuous is the pavilion marking the border between the two villages. It was the owner of one of these vineyards who, in 1840, decided to build this “Teehaus” in order to be able to observe what was happening both in his vineyards and the village itself. Today Ruppertsberg enjoys the reputation of a highly respected wine-growing village where ambitious wine-growers vie with each other to produce the best possible wines from the renowned vineyard sites of Linsenbusch and Hoheburg, Gaisböhl, Nußbien, Spieß and Reiterpfad. It is above all Riesling, Silvaner, Müller-Thurgau and Gewürztraminer which grow best here, on 1,000 acres of top quality soils. A stroll through this sleepy village will take you past half-timbered houses and sandstone mansions. Gateways and arches entwined with vines add the final artistic touch to this village, set against the panorama of the Haardt Hills. It is only during the last weekend in August when it starts to get more lively when the village wine festival takes place and vintners and guests alike prepare themselves for the new vintage.

01 Church

Well-worth seeing is the Catholic church of St. Martin, in Ruppertsberg. The building itself is a late-Gothic, three-aisled church dating back to the early 16th century. It has a superb stone pulpit built around 1510 and displaying figures of saints and prophets.

02 Tea House This, the main landmark of the village was built in 1840 by a vineyard owner, set in a sea of vines. Originally used as a tea house as well as a vantage point, it is characterised by its square shape and glazed top storey.

An Overview of the Village

Peaceful streets and lanes lead past half-timbered houses and sandstone mansions.

It enjoys an enviable situation in the midst of vineyards and buildings entwined with vines.

MUSEUMS

DEIDESHEIM:

Deutsches Film- und Fototechnik-Museum: An impressive collection of equipment from the world of film, Weinstr. 33. Opening times: Jan.-Dec. Wed.-Sun./Bank holidays 14:00-18:00, Tel. 06326-6568, www.dftm.de

Museum für Weinkultur in the historic town hall, opening times: March-Dec., Wed.-Sun./Bank holidays, 16:00-18:00; Tel. 06326-981561, Guided tours for groups possible outside of the normal opening hours, Tel. 06326-96770, www.weinkultur-deidesheim.de

MECKENHEIM:

Kleines Pfälzer Brennereimuseum: Hauptstr. 36, opening times: Mon.-Sat. 9:00-19:00, Saturday Tours, free of charge, at 11:00, 15:00 and 17:00, (May-Oct.) a tasting of the distillates is possible, on application, Tel. 06326-989300, www.destillerie-rheinwald.de

GUIDED TOURS

DEIDESHEIM:

A tour of the town with its historical town centre **“Ein Streifzug durch Deidesheim, das andere Paradies”**. For individual guests: Sat. (May-Oct.) 10:30, starting point is the Tourist-Information Deidesheim, charge: 5 € per person, For groups: Flatrate 60 €
Tel. 06326-96770, www.deidesheim.de

Erlebnistour Pfalz “In the middle of the Palatinate vineyards” (Programme on arrangement). Group price: up to 4 hours 125 €, up to 8 hours 175 € excl. admission charges, where necessary. Tel. 06326-96770, www.deidesheim.de

Erlebniswanderungen: **“Where the forest meets the vineyards”** (approx. 2 hours): March-October groups on application, Flatrate: 65 €, Tel. 06326-96770

Erlebniswanderungen: **“On the trail of the past”** (approx. 4 hours): March-Oct. for groups: dates on application, Flatrate: 100 €, starting point is the Parkplatz Sensental. Tel. 06326-96770, www.deidesheim.de

Deidesheimer Cycle Tours: **“The easy way to Paradise”** guided cycle tours for groups of 5 persons and more, Information and reservations: Fam. Steinweg, Tel. 06326-982284, info@gepaeckservice-pfalz.de, www.gepaeckservice-pfalz.de

Guided botanical tours: **“We present: botanical stars from all over the world”**: For groups: Flatrate 60 €, Tel. 06326-96770, www.deidesheim.de

Guided tours through the Museum für Weinkultur: **“In the kingdoms of Bacchus and St. Urban – Interaction with the culture of wine”**: For groups: Flatrate 45 €. Tourist-Information Deidesheim, Tel. 06326-96770, www.weinkultur-deidesheim.de

Guided tour of the famous vineyards - in and around Deidesheim “From the vine to wine – the vineyard experience”. For groups: Flatrate 60 €. Tourist-Information Deidesheim, Tel. 06326-96770, www.deidesheim.de

Guided visits of the winemakers’ cooperatives (free of charge):

Winzerverein Deidesheim: Fri. 10:00, (May-September), Tel. 06326-96770 and

Ruppertsberger Weinkeller Hoheburg eG, Sun. 11:00, (May-October),

Tel. 06326-96770, www.deidesheim.de

“Tales of the Goat” A guided tour to the Billy Goat Auction, Starting point: Geißbockbrunnen (Stadtplatz), Fee: 5 €. Dates bookable in advance

“Advent, Advent ...” A Christmas walk (Duration approx. 2 hours). On the first three weekends in December (Friday, Sat., Sun.), on the last weekend, only Saturday. Starting point Bahnhof at 15:00, Fee: 5 € per person, for groups 55 € (prior notification necessary)
Tel. 06326-96770, www.deidesheim.de

WINE TRAILS / NATURE TRAILS

FORST:

Forster Lagenwanderwege: Guided tours of some of the top vineyards in the Palatinate in and around Forst, such as, Freundstück, Ungeheuer, Pechstein and Jesuitengarten. Starting point: parking area at the Felix-Christoph-Trabergerhalle.
Tel. 06326-96770, www.deidesheim.de



RALF HÆRTEL WEINE

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Since 2011, we have managed the parental wine-growing estate on our own account. In the vineyard, during harvest or during the aging process: our wines are produced by hand. Thus, we create unique wines that distinguish themselves through their varietal and terroir-typical character.

Opening hours: Tue-Fr 13:00-18:00, Sat 10:00-18:00



WEINGUT BRAUN

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Ranging from simple wines to red and white top quality wines. See for yourself at wine-tastings in a cosy atmosphere or at one of the numerous events. Come and celebrate the new harvest with us daily in September and October, when new wine gets you in the best Palatinate mood. Opening times: Mon-Fr 9.30-18.30, Sat 9.00-16.30. Equally, open on Sundays in autumn.



WEINGUT EUGEN MÜLLER

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Discover "Riesling und mehr" and taste wines that have made Forst famous, like "Kirchenstück", "Jesuitengarten", "Ungeheuer" and "Pechstein" or celebrate your special event at our estate. You are welcome to visit the wine-tasting days in May, the wine-festival on the 1st weekend in August or the advent market in November/ December!



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Our house is well known for its full-bodied Riesling wines. We own 18 hectares of the best locations such as Forster Ungeheuer, Pechstein and Stift. The estate comprises a small country hotel with Mediterranean flair: modern rooms with balcony or terrace, a view over the Haardt Mountain range and the Palatinate Forest, a room for wine-tastings – ideal for active tourists and wine lovers.

WACHENHEIM

The gentle climb up to the **Wachtenburg**, the landmark of Wachenheim, is rewarded by a magnificent view from the “**Balcony of the Pfalz**”. Not only of the town of Wachenheim, famous for both its wine and sparkling wine but also further to the picturesque wine villages of **Friedelsheim, Gönnheim und Ellerstadt**. These four communities have joined together to present a holiday region set on a carpet of green at the foot of the Haardt Forest and offering a cross-section of the countryside along the German Wine Street. To the west, this region stretches into the **Palatinate Forest**, the ideal starting point for numerous walks. At the foot of the forests are vineyards stretching as far as the eye can see and enclosing some of the **most famous vineyard designations in the Palatinate**. The further east you walk or cycle, the more often are the vineyards interrupted by orchards and early-ripening vegetable fields. And since hospitality is proverbial in this region, those friends of culinary delights will not be disappointed. This well-balanced mixture of vitality and tranquillity is the reason why body and soul feel so at home in this region.



Tourist Information

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WACHENHEIM: It is undoubtedly the castle towering over the town which dominates the view, making the town appear to be just a toy town in a sea of vines. Inside the historical town center one can take one's time in seeing the sights as well as discovering the culinary delights on offer. These range from wine taverns and restaurants offering regional specialities for both tourists and inhabitants of the town alike to the latest on the club scene. Not to be forgotten are the outstanding wines of international repute on offer from the local wine estates.

A stroll through the town will lead you past many historical sites, some dating back to the 6th and 7th Centuries. The town was first mentioned in the Lorsch Codex as a settlement in the year 766. The castle was built in the 11th and 12th centuries and the town was given its own town charter in 1341. The former stately homes and the remains of the town wall stand witness to the vital living history of the town.

For those also interested in museums, there are two unusual sights to see – a museum of weights and scales and the history of sparkling wine at the Sektkellerei Schloss Wachenheim. The international reputation of its sparkling wines has made the town of Wachenheim even more well-known. The castle in the middle of the winery is also the scene of events and performances where the cultures of art and wine go hand in hand.

www.wachenheim.de

GUIDED TOURS

WACHENHEIM:

A tour of the **historical town** centre along the town wall from May to October (Pre-booking not necessary)

A Nightwatchman's Tour of the historical town centre along the town wall with lanterns (Pre-booking not necessary), starts at 21:00 Dates: 30.03. and 24.06.

A tour of the **Wachtenburg** (11th - 12th century) with historical sidenotes and a magnificent view over the Rhine Valley. The Castle Inn is also open to quench your thirst. May to October, (Pre-booking not necessary)

A tour of the Roman "**villa rustica**", The excavation of a Roman estate dating back to the 1st century. (Pre-booking not necessary)

A tour of the **Wachenheimer Vineyards "From the Vine to the Glass"**

A tour of the vineyards around Wachenheim, led by the Wine & Culture Ambassador, includes information about winemaking and a 3 - piece wine tasting. September to October, (Pre-booking not necessary)

A Wild Herb Tour through the meadows, giving information regarding the use of herbs as cooking spices or as a medication. April to June (Pre-booking necessary under Tel. 06322-1064).

The exact dates and prices for individual tourists can be seen in the Veranstaltungskalender der Wein- und Ferienregion Wachenheim. Guided tours can be booked at: Tel. 06322-9580801.

FACTORY VISITS / GUIDED TOURS

WACHENHEIM:

A guided tour of the cellars together with a wine tasting and a wine present. (small fee applicable) **Wachtenburg Winzer eG**. All year, every Friday at 11:00 - with the exception of official holidays - Pre-booking not necessary, Tel. 06322-979820, www.wachtenburg-winzer.de

A guided tour of **Sektkellerei Schloss Wachenheim** together with a 3-piece tasting of sparkling wines, March to October, every Thursday and Saturday at 14:00, Sundays and official holidays at 11:00, Pre-booking not necessary, (small fee applicable), Tel. 06322-9427380, www.schloss-wachenheim.de

An explanation of how Saumagen (Palatinate Haggis) is made at **Pfälzer Metzgerei Hambel**, includes a haggis-sandwich and a glass of sparkling wine (small fee applicable) January to December, every Friday at 13:00 (Pre-booking necessary), www.metzgerei-hambel.de

FRIEDELSHEIM:

A guided tour along the **Johann-Casimir loop track** with a visit of the **Historical Blacksmith's Workshop** and The Bakery for individual guests.

Sights to be seen during the walk: A castle keep with a view of three castles, the remains of the old castle with castle moat, the Mennonite Church and courtyard, the Protestant and Catholic Churches and much more... From May to October, on the last Saturday of each month, pre-booking not necessary, small fee applicable.

Group tours available, on request, all the year, Info: Tourist-Information, Tel. 06322-9580801, www.wachenheim.de

A visit to the Bakery together with a baking demonstration. A small snack and wine tasting available, small fee applicable. January to November, 10:00 to 15:00 on the last Saturday of each month, pre-booking not necessary, Info: Tel. 06322-61492 or 64120

Historical Blacksmith's Workshop: Rediscover tools in use during the 19th and 20th Centuries including a demonstration of how they were used. Opening times: Jan.-Nov.: on the last Saturday of each month from 10:00 to 13:00 (or by arrangement).

Tel. 06322-61442, www.friedelsheim.de

Additional tours and visits for groups e.g.: Winery tours and wine tastings, vineyard tours with wine tasting and vineyard snack, guided tours of the churches in Wachenheim, a tour of a Palatinate distillery, guided walks through the Palatinate Forest and many more are available, all the year round, on request, Info: Tourist-Information Wachenheim, Tel. 06322-9580801, www.wachenheim.de

NATUR TRAILS AND LOOP TRACKS

WACHENHEIM:

The Roman Loop Track Wachenheim-Bad Dürkheim-Ungstein, 20 km: Starting point in Wachenheim at the villa rustica (Parkplatz B271). A brochure is available from Tourist-Information "2000 Jahre Kultur - der Römerrundwanderweg" with information about the walk and the Roman buildings to be seen.

Wine Nature Trails with six loop tracks: a total of 44 km (figures 10-15 on a white background) leading to the world-famous vineyards such as Gerümpel, Goldbächel, Königswingert, as well as to other sites of historic interest.

Learn More about Wine in the vineyards (approx. 200 m long): An educational walk through the vines with a description of the grape varieties to be found in the vineyard site of Schenknböhl, between Wachenheim and Bad Dürkheim.

Loop Trails in the Palatinate Forest Six well-signposted trails (see 1-6) with distances from 2 to 8 km. A flyer is available in the Tourist-Information, Tel. 06322-9580-32, www.wachenheim.de

FRIEDELSCHEIM:

Vineyard Trail

Two rows of vines have been planted with 17 red wine and 21 white wine varieties. Detailed information and pictures are available explaining the differences between indigenous and exotic grape varieties. Tel. 06322-9580801, www.wachenheim.de

The Forest Nature Trail

More than 50 different deciduous and conifer trees can be seen on a meadow surrounded by vineyards situated between Friedelsheim and Gönningheim, Tel. 06322-9580801, www.wachenheim.de

Johann-Casimir-Loop Track

Sights to be seen during the walk: the remains of the old castle with castle moat, the Mennonite Church and courtyard, the Protestant and Catholic Churches, the old Synagogue and much more...

SPECIALS

Wachenheimer Serenaden

For more than 45 years the Wachenheimer Serenade Concerts have been an absolute “must” for lovers of classical music far beyond the borders of the Palatinate. Some 7 concerts take place each year, each on a historical site, each with an unusual ambience, your guarantee of a unique musical experience. Tickets (also reservation by phone), vouchers and programme flyers are available from the Tourist Information, Tel. 06322-9580801 or www.wachenheimer-serenade.de

Rebstockpatenschaft

Sponsor a vine in the visitor’s vineyard “Deutsche Weinstrasse” just below the Wachtenburg in Wachenheim. Further information available under Tel.: 06321 912333, www.deutsche-weinstrasse.de or Tel.: 06322 9580801, www.wachenheim.de



WACHTENBURG WINZER EG

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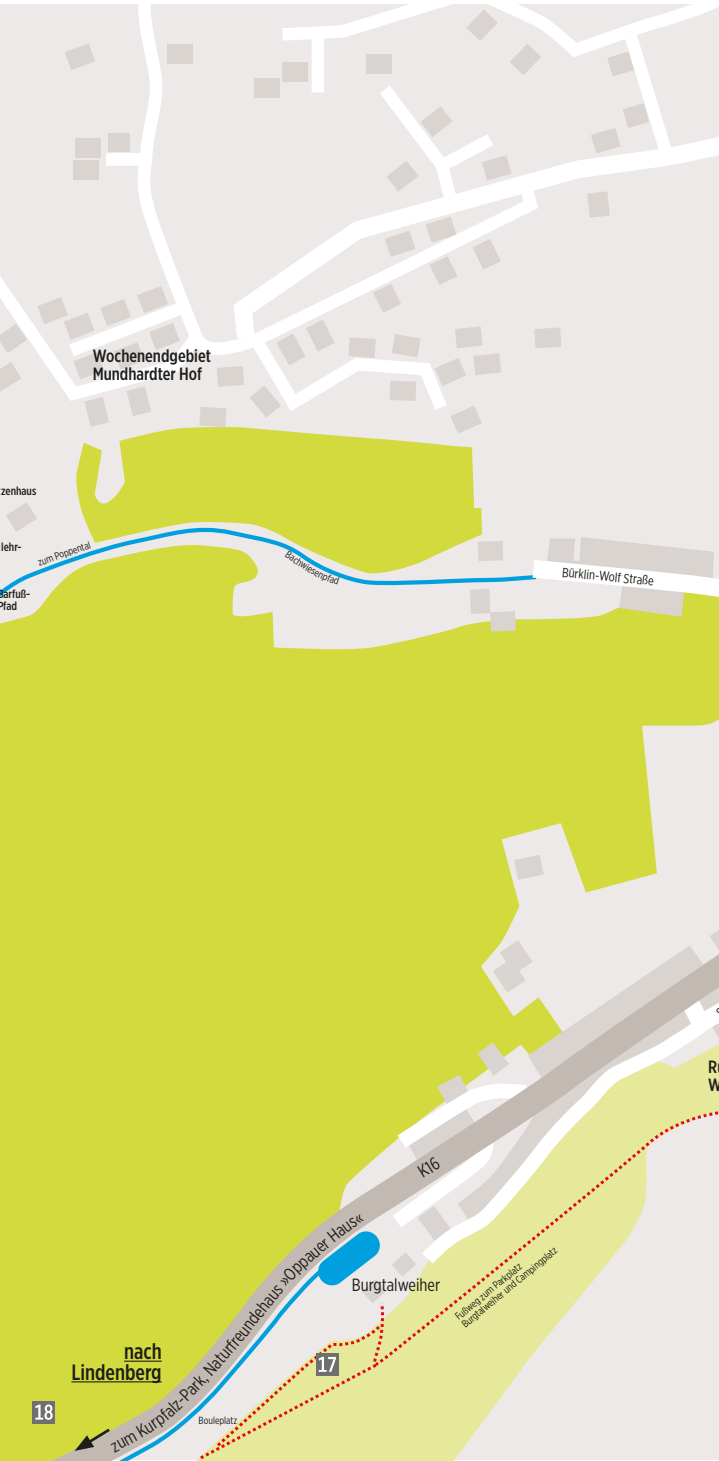


More than 110 years ago, 53 wine-growing families from Wachenheim united to create a new kind of family business: a multi-family business – a winemaking cooperative. Ever since then, ideas have been created and put into action. Many satisfied customers and awards prove their success. Visit us and find quality products at attractive prices!

Guided tour of the cellar every Friday at 11 o'clock. No need for reservation. € 5,- per person including a welcome drink of sparkling wine and a wine present.

Opening times: Wein -und Sektforum: Mon-Fri 9-18h, Sat 11-16h.

WACHENHEIM



Wochenendgebiet
Mundhardter Hof

zenhaus

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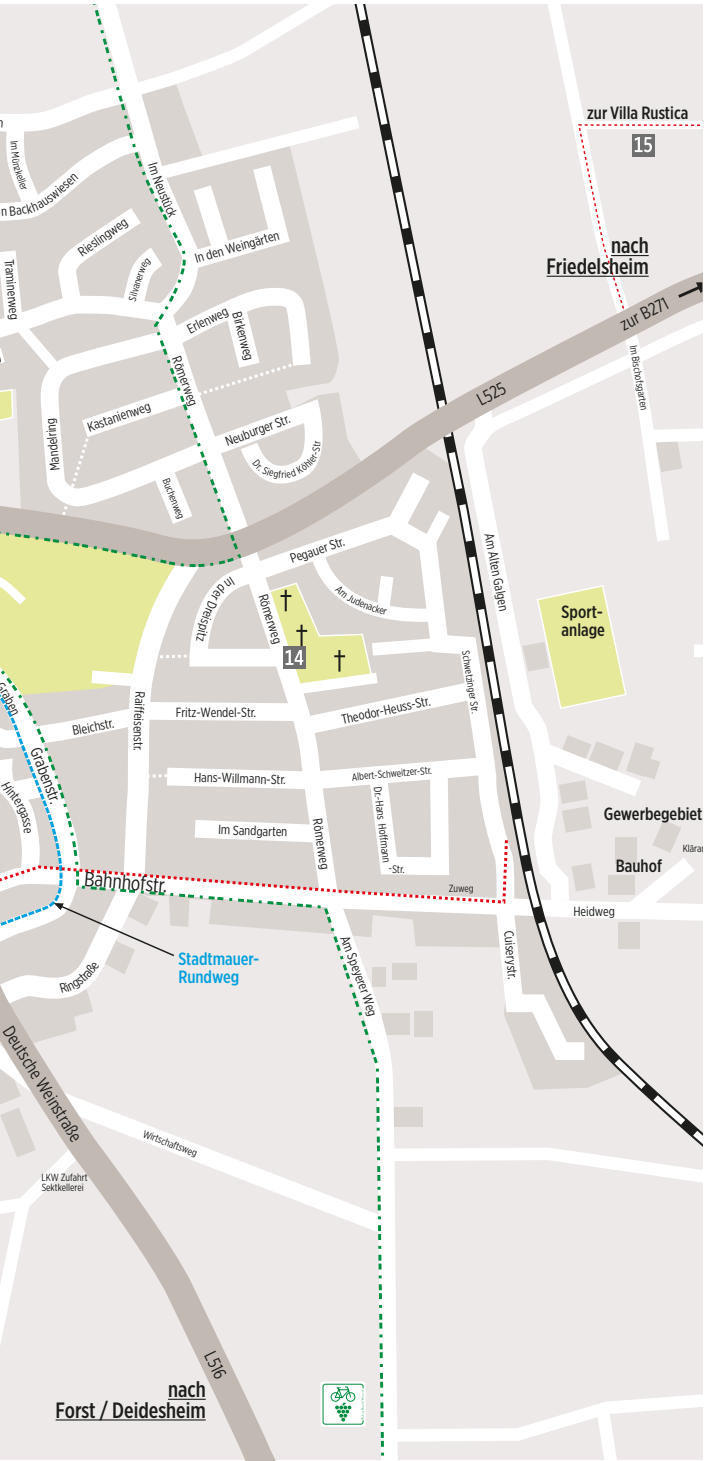
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zum Kurpfalz-Park, Naturfreundehaus
Bouleplatz

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Fußweg zum Parkplatz
Burgtalweiher und Campingplatz



zur Villa Rustica

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nach Friedelsheim

zur B271

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Sportanlage

Gewerbegebiet

Bauhof

Heidweg

Stadtmauer-Rundweg

nach Forst / Deidesheim



A TOUR OF THE TOWN OF WACHENHEIM



01

Wachtenburg: Supposedly built in the 12th Century, the castle consists of an upper main area and a younger lower building. The rectangular tower was once used as a fortified living area whilst the upper area was surrounded by a circular wall with five towers. Particularly worth seeing is the easternmost of these towers. The castle tavern is also a popular highlight. Guided tours are available through the Tourist Information Wachenheim.



02

Simultankirche St. Georg: situated between the Wine Street and the Burgstraße. A relic of the Reformation which started in the 16th Century, this church was made dual confessional in 1707. The western part of the nave was given to the Protestants whilst the eastern part was used by the Catholics until the Edith-Stein Church in the Friedelsheimer Strasse had been completed.



03

Ludwigskapelle: on the market square. The chapel was built in the year 1443 in a late Gothic-style and dedicated to Saint Louis, the one-time King of France. The chapel is no longer used as a church but is used for cultural events and as a register office for wedding ceremonies.



04

Süssmannscher Hof/ Sektellerei: Kommerzienrat-Wagner-Straße. This estate once belonged to the knights order of Steinhausen. From 1725 onwards it was owned by the Court Counsellor of Justice, J.G. von Sußmann. In 1882 it was acquired by a wine merchant, Friedrich von Böhm who founded a sparkling wine company there in 1888 the „Deutsche Schaumweinfabrik A.G.“ Since 1996 it has been owned by the world's largest sparkling wine company.



05

Kellereimuseum im Sektschloss Wachenheim: The history and tradition of making sparkling wine is explained to you in the museum of the old wine castle. Old equipment and accessories tell the story of winemaking through the ages. A visit to the museum is included in a tour of the wine cellars together with a sparkling wine tasting. Further information available under Tel. 06322-9427380.



06

Wachenheimer Hof: Weinstraße. This late baroque house was built in 1711 on the foundations of a country house belonging to the Knights of the Order of Wachenheim which date back to the 16th Century. In 1811 Leonhardt Jos. Mohr set up here a school for experimental chemistry along with his sugar-beet factory.

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Zehnthof: Mittelgasse. From 1607 onwards the residence of Thomas Blarer von Geiersberg, the mayor of Wachenheim and bailiff of the Limburg. Following its destruction in 1689, it was rebuilt with baroque elements.



Ehemaliges Wohnhaus des Stadtschreibers Bernhard Bürklin: on the corner between the Wine Street and the Dalberggasse. In 1607 this wine-grower's house was built for the town chronicler, Bernhard Bürklin. His family's coat of arms, together with those of his wife have been incorporated into the bay window on the street front.



Dalberger Hof: Dalberggasse. Built onto the town wall, this three-sided courtyard once belonged to the Reichsritter von Dalberg, one of the noblest and largest families belonging to the Knights of the Empire. Although devastated by fire in the year 1689, it was completely rebuilt at the beginning of the 18th Century.



Kolbscher Hof – Weingut Dr. Bürklin-Wolf: along the Wine Street. The extensive property belonging to the winery, Dr. Bürklin-Wolf, lies on the site of a century-old seat of the dynasty, Kolbe von Wartenburg who were first granted a landholding in the year 1346.



Diebsturm/Stadtmauer: the northwest section of the town wall. The so-called "Thieves Tower" was used as a prison for culprits awaiting conviction. It was constructed in the years following 1341 together with the town wall which today can be visited along a length of 1.3 km. Guided tours are available through the Tourist Information Wachenheim.



Lutherische Kirche: Langgasse. Following the inauguration of a Lutheran parish in 1745, the church was constructed in the style of a baroque hall. Completely destroyed in 1945 it was then rebuilt and is now used for cultural events.



A TOUR OF THE TOWN OF WACHENHEIM



13

Alte Münze: Langgasse. The extensive courtyard was once the site of the old mint and later of the Majordomo and includes an old gatehouse, baroque living quarters and diverse outbuildings. The mint was in use from 1436 until 1471 and is now used as a restaurant.



14

Jüdischer Friedhof: Römerweg. This is one of the oldest Jewish cemeteries in the Palatinate, dating back to 1522 when it was officially known as the "Jew's Pit". At the entrance is a 200 year-old mulberry tree. Visits are available through the Tourist Information Wachenheim.



15

Villa Rustica: situated to the north-east of Wachenheim. Excavated ruins of an old Roman manor with buildings dating back to period between the 1st and 5th Centuries. Open all the year round. Guided tours are available through the Tourist Information Wachenheim. The site can be accessed via the B 271, parking, also for buses, is available.



16

Waagenmuseum: This private collection totals over 500 weighing machines and 1,000 weights dating from the antique up to the modern day. The exhibits were collected by a private collector and are on view in his private property in the Waldstrasse 34. Open on Sundays or, for groups, by arrangement under Tel. 06322-63675.



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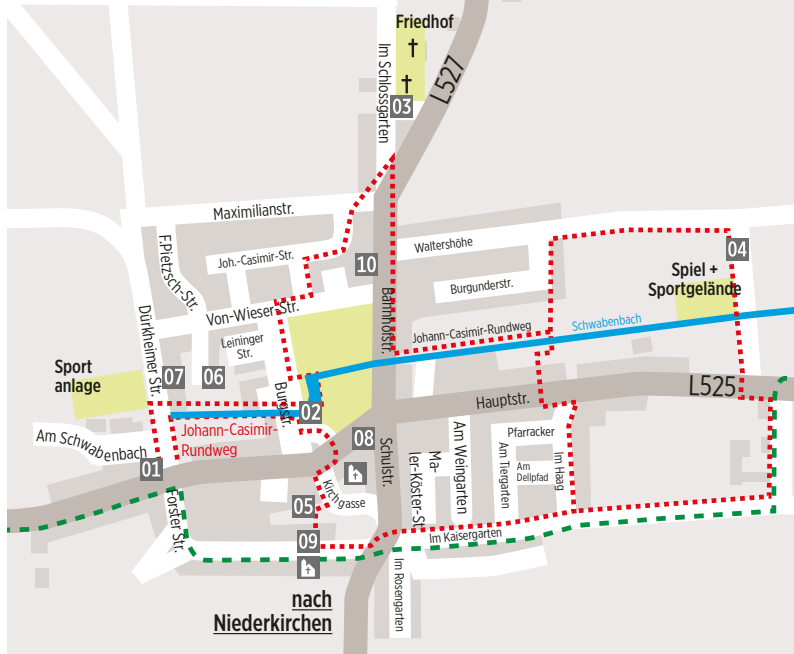
Camping site Wachenheim (open March to September). Situated to the west of the town of Wachenheim in a romantic valley at the foot of the Palatinate Forest. 35 temporary sites and 60 permanent sites are available together with 2 sanitary units including a W.C. for the disabled. There is also a kiosk, a recreation room with a television and a small kitchen with cooking facility. For the junior camper, there is also a playground.



18

Wild- und Freizeitpark KURPFALZPARK: Situated on the K16 between Wachenheim and Lambrecht lies this wildlife and recreation park. In addition to wildlife stock there is also a wolfs' compound, numerous fairground rides including bumper boats and a free fall slide. Meals and beverages available at numerous booths and at the adjoining Forsthaus Rotsteig. Opening times and further information under Tel. 06325-959010.

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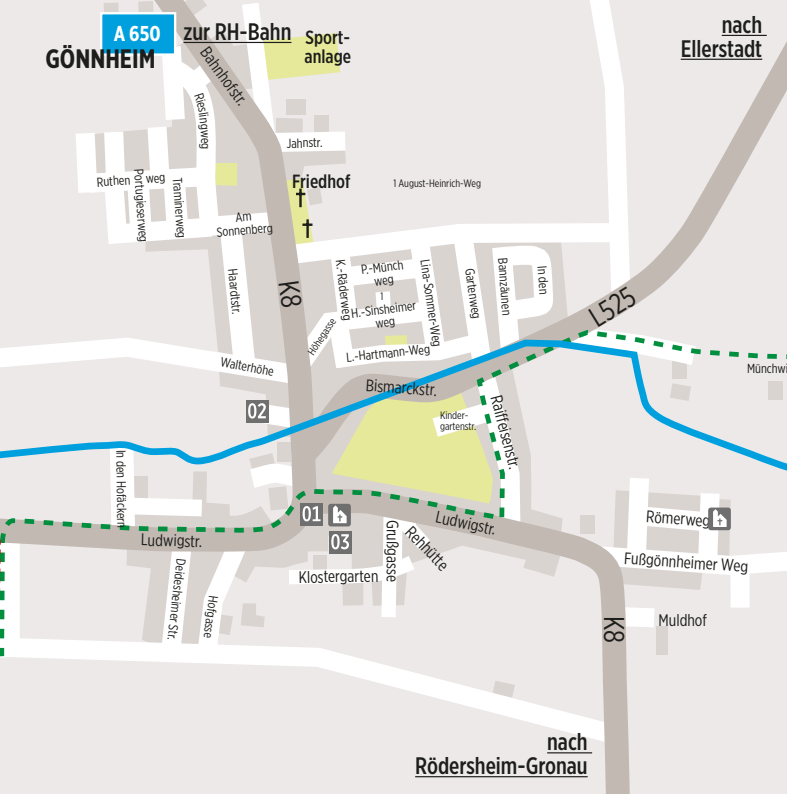


FRIEDELSHEIM: Nestling against the magnificent backdrop of the outskirts of the Haardt Forest, Friedelsheim is situated in a dip between the vineyards. Schlossgarten, Bischofsgarten, Gerümpel, Rosengarten and Friedelsheimer Kreuz are vineyards wellknown to lovers of fine wines. Indeed it is vineyards, orchards and agriculture which have shaped this rural environment. The main town celebrations take place at Whitsun and during the 3rd weekend in August – the wine festival. Most of the sights can be seen along the “Johann-Casimir Rundweg” – a loop track leading past the remains of the former castle and its keep, the historical blacksmith’s workshop, the old synagogue, the town’s two churches together with their own vineyard, the Mennonite Estate, the rebuilt washhouse and the old stone bakery. Although the bakery is a relic of relatively modern times, it is a link to the past when community baking was one of the focal points of village life. Indeed, on the last Saturday of each month interested visitors can watch, engage in and taste the art of baking bread.

The baroque entrance together with the helm-shaped roof are evidence of the one-time water tower. From the top of this tower

there is an impressive view of the three castles of Hambach, Wachtenburg and Kloster Limburg. www.friedelsheim.de

- 01** The Johann-Casimir Loop Track
- 02** The Bakery
- 03** The Wine Nature Trail
- 04** The Tree Nature Trail
- 05** The Town Fountain, designed by G. Rumpf
- 06** The Keep dating back to the 15th century
- 07** Mennonite Courtyard and Church
- 08** Catholic Church
- 09** Protestant Church
- 10** Historical Blacksmith’s Workshop



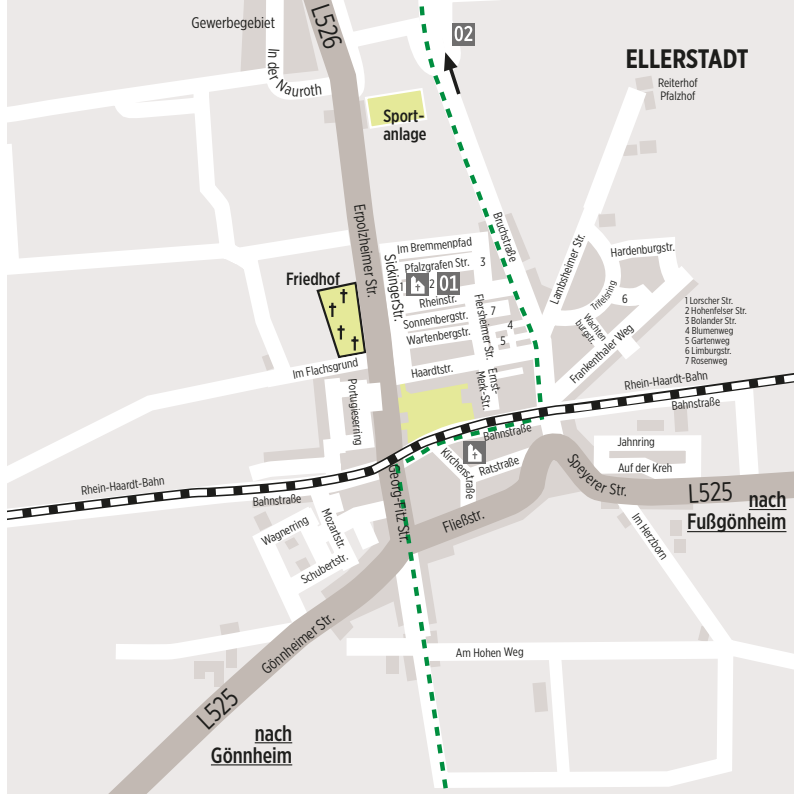
GÖNNHEIM: Impressive wine-grower's court-yards, old houses covered with vines and flowers give a distinctive touch to the overall appearance of the town. This wine-growing community is the ideal spot for a casually rural holiday. The fertile land surrounding the town is ideal for agriculture with orchards and vineyards dominating the scene. Particularly vineyards, of which there are over 360 acres planted with Riesling vines as well as 240 acres planted with red grape varieties, making Gönnheim one of the leading red wine producing villages in the Palatinate. 13 wineries cultivating such famous vineyard names such as Klostergarten, Sonnenberg, Martinshöhe and Mandelgarten maintain this tradition. Remarkable is also the range of culinary delights on offer, ranging from cosy village taverns up to restaurants of renown.

The 1,500 inhabitants are proud to live in Gönnheim and this is particularly good to see during the first weekend in July when the annual "Days of Wine" festival takes place together with the traditional parade of horse-drawn coaches or in August when the "St. Martin's Festival" is celebrated.

The St. Martin's Church was built in 1756 and its rare onion-shaped church tower is considered to be the town's most visible land-

mark. Just behind the church there is also a small open-air museum where the villagers have started to document their history. www.goenneim.de

- 01** **Open-Air Museum**
- 02** **St. Martins Church**, built in 1756
- 03** **Affensteiner Hof**,
The oldest house in the town,
built in 1661.



ELLERSTADT: Lying to the east of the wine and holiday region of Wachenheim, in the middle of orchards and vineyards, is Ellerstadt with its 2,300 inhabitants. The town was first mentioned in the Lorsch Codex as a settlement in the year 783 and can look back on a proud history. Wine and fruit are an important part of this history. Above all, Ellerstadt is internationally well-known for its outstanding red wines. Grape varieties such as Portugieser, Dornfelder, Spätburgunder und Schwarzriesling are planted on almost half of the 600 acres of vineyards to be found around the town. These wines are best tasted in one of the numerous wineries with their historical courtyards or one of the cosy wine taverns to be found in the area. Seemingly unending are the orchards where apples, peaches and cherries ripen to perfection.

Sightseeing on a bicycle or on foot along one of the numerous, well-signposted trails through the orchards is bound to whet one's appetite for a meal in one of Ellerstadt's numerous restaurants. Traditional festivals, such as the "Fischerfest" in July or the Wine Festival in September gives you the opportunity to learn more from the locals over a glass of Ellerstadter wine.

- 01** Protestant Church
- 02** Ellerstadter Lake

SELECTED WINE-GROWING ESTATES WACHENHEIM

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Weingut Mechthild Hammel Fließstraße 16 › 67158 Ellerstadt

T: 06237 7014 www.mechthild-hammel.de

Weingut Studier Fließstraße 34-36 › 67158 Ellerstadt

T: 06237 3113 www.weingut-studier.de

Weingut Heinrich Vollmer Gönzheimer Straße 52 › 67158 Ellerstadt

T: 06237 40030 www.weingutvollmer.de

Weingut Walter Krebs Hauptstraße 74 › 67159 Friedelsheim

T: 06322 5157 www.weingut-krebs.de

Weingut Dieter Schreyer Hauptstraße 19 › 67159 Friedelsheim

T: 06322 1767

Weingut Wilhelm Blaul & Sohn Ludwigstraße 42 › 67161 Gönenheim

T: 06322 63952 www.wvblaul.de

Weingut Eymann Ludwigstraße 35 › 67161 Gönenheim

T: 06322 2808 www.weinguteymann.de

Hofgut Gönenheim Ludwigstraße 52 › 67161 Gönenheim

T: 06322 8533 www.hofgut-goennheim.de

Weingut Alfred Knauff Erben Ludwigstraße 23 › 67161 Gönenheim

T: 06322 63288 www.weingut-knauff.de

Weingut Kolleth Bahnhofstraße 125 › 67161 Gönenheim

T: 06322 1719 www.weingut-kolleth.de

Weingut Erich Künzel & Sohn Bismarckstraße 22 › 67161 Gönenheim

T: 06322 8571 www.weingut-kuenzel.de

Weingut Meinhardt Ludwigstraße 47 › 67161 Gönenheim

T: 06322 981644 www.meinhardt-weine.de

Apfelgut Zimmermann Bahnhofstraße 36 › 67157 Wachenheim

T: 06322 8220 www.apfelgut-zimmermann.de

Weingut Dr. Bürklin-Wolf Weinstraße 65 › 67157 Wachenheim

T: 06322 95330 www.buerklin-wolf.de

Weingut Manz Weinstraße 34 › 67157 Wachenheim

T: 06322 2001 www.weingut-manz.de

Weingut Peter Burgstraße 10 › 67157 Wachenheim

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Wachtenburger Winzer eG Weinstraße 2 › 67157 Wachenheim

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Weingut Zimmermann Grabenstraße 5 › 67157 Wachenheim

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BAD DÜRKHEIM

Not much more Palatinate could fit between the vineyards

When one talks about **superlatives** in the Palatinate, Bad Dürkheim is always up at the front. Particularly conspicuous is **the world's largest wine barrel** which, if there were not already a restaurant inside its walls, could hold 1.7 million litres of wine. Highlights of the flowering spa gardens, the Isenach whose blue band passes eleven bridges, a cascade bassin, a water playground, a fountain and the graduation tower, with 333 meters one of the longest of its kind. The **Dürkheimer Wurstmarkt** is the **world's largest wine festival** which attracts many hundreds of thousands of visitors every year. But it is not size alone which makes Bad Dürkheim so attractive and there are many secluded back streets right in the centre of the town where you can just sit down, relax and ask yourself whether, in fact, you are not on a Mediterranean holiday.

There are also historical sites, kept alive in numerous museums, in the **ruined monastery of Limburg**, in the grounds of the **Hardenburg Castle** or in the old **Roman winery Weilberg** dating back almost 2,000 years. You can relax in the spa gardens or try your hand at the casino or just enjoy the culinary delights of the local restaurants. Ideally, all of this together with the friendly people of this region in the numerous hotels and guesthouses available. **Wine**, of course, is encountered everywhere you go and the variety is inexhaustible, for examples in the town villages of **Leistadt** or **Ungstein**. **Seebach, Hausen, Grethen** and **Hardenburg** are situated at the foot of the **Palatinate Forest** which is where entirely new perspectives are opened up for the rambler.

Tourist Information Bad Dürkheim

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MUSEUMS

Heimatmuseum Bad Dürkheim in the Kulturzentrum Haus Catoir: A journey through 3,000 years of history. Opening times: Tuesdays to Sundays 14.00 - 17.00, admission free of charge. Guided tours available on request. Tel.: 06322 980714, Römerstrasse 20

Pfalzmuseum für Naturkunde: Everything there is to learn about the countryside of the region (geology, wildlife, plants and the protection of the environment in the Biosphere Reserve) Opening times: Tuesdays and Thursdays to Sundays 10.00 - 17.00, Wednesdays 10.00 to 20.00. Admission € 2 (adults and groups). Guided tours available on request. Tel. 06322 94130, www.pfalzmuseum.de

GUIDED TOURS

From March to October there is a large choice of highlighted walks (such as: tours of the town, the Hardenburg, the Limburg, the spa gardens, the saline spa, the Roman villa, through the Palatinate Forest and vineyards or a ride in a covered wagon) For further information, tickets and reservations, please contact the Tourist Information, Kurbrunnenstrasse 14, 67098 Bad Dürkheim. Tel. 06322-935140, www.bad-duerkheim.com

The Cabriolet Bus “Bad Dürkheim Tours” Sit back and relax in the cabriolet bus which will take you on a tour in and around Bad Dürkheim, visiting the Giant Barrel, the ruined monastery of Limburg, the Hardenburg, the Sausage Festival, the Roman villa Weilberg and lots more. Price € 6,20 per person, duration 1 hour.

The Hardenburg – Knights, Counts and Princes: A guided tour of the largest ruined castle in the Palatinate. Price € 50 per group plus entrance fees, maximum 25 persons per group and guide, duration approx. 1,5 hours.

Salt – Saline – Saltwater Baths: A guided tour of the longest graduation tower in Germany followed by a walk through the spa gardens. Learn more about how salt used to be won and the effect it has had on the development of the spa in Bad Dürkheim. Price € 50 per group plus entrance fees, maximum 25 persons per group and guide, duration approx. 1,5 hours.

Treasure Hunting along the Geo-Adventure Trail using a GPS navigation device to try and find the treasure of the Phylloxera-Pirates. The path to success through the vineyards is haunted by secrets, puzzles and dark figures. Price from € 95 for groups of less than 10 persons, duration approx. 4 hours.

The Winegrower’s Express: A ride in a covered wagon through the vineyards including a 5-piece wine tasting and Palatinate snack, traditional songs, poetry and stories. Price € 30 per person, duration approx. 2,5 - 3 hours.

Characters of Bad Dürkheim: A walk through the town of Bad Dürkheim together with a guide who will take you to meet historical public figures dressed in the clothes of their time and listen to them recount the history in which they live. Price from € 224 per group of maximum 20 persons, duration approx. 2 hours.

HERITAGE TRAILS

Three landscapes, three adventure trails:

A Vineyard Landscape: The GPS Trail (approx. 6 km) A walk through the vineyards belongs to the past ! Now you can read what Rebi and Lausi have to tell you on numerous colourful tablets about the vineyards, the geology, the climate and the history of their home. A journey back through millions of years. **Adventure favours the brave:** And for those that dare, they can use a GPS device to follow the trail. Price from € 95 (groups of less than 12 persons), duration approx. 2 hours.

A Forest Landscape: This nature trail (approx. 5 km) takes you around the Celtic hill fort “Heidenmauer” and the Roman stone quarry “Kriemhildenstuhl” and tells the story of their history, geology, forests, plants and animals. Texts and illustrations explain each of the themes. The trail is ideally suited for combining with a visit to the Palatinate Museum of Natural History, which is also one of the starting points.

A Quarry Landscape: This nature trail (approx. 8 km) takes you through a landscape of stone quarries with a history going back 10,000 years in time. Its diversity of species, both flora and fauna is unique in this region whilst its protected landscape with water meadows, wild orchards and vineyards is a treat for the eyes.

SPECIAL

Open Air Festival “Limburg Summer”: Between the months of June and October a number of cultural events take place inside the sandstone walls of the ruined monastery of Limburg. Ranging from jazz concerts to opera, from drama to open-air cinema, this is the time to relax on a summer night in the Limburg – includes starry dreams and Riesling. A flyer is obtainable from the Tourist Information.



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The family-run wellness hotel, surrounded by an Asian garden, pampers its guests with much attention to detail. Among many relaxing treatments, the wellness oasis with beauty farm offers a beautiful relaxation room with terrace as well as an indoor swimming pool with access to a lawn for sunbathing. Our chef will treat you to national and international specialities that you may savour in the restaurant while looking at the Asian garden with its Japanese teahouse. Nearby vineyards and the Palatinate Forest, invite you to take a stroll or to go on an extended hiking tour. Finish the day in a relaxed way with a glass of Palatinate wine in our rustic wine tavern and bar. The families Köhler & Berwing and their team are looking forward to seeing you.

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BAD DÜRKHEIM PLACES OF INTEREST



01

The Graduation Tower is the longest of its kind and the 333 metres generates a breath of sea air throughout the spa garden. The salt water trickles down through a wall consisting of 250,000 bundles of brushwood twigs and allows the salt water to partly evaporate with the mineral-rich water droplets in the air being regarded as having beneficial health effects similar to that of breathing in sea air.



02

The Giant Wine Barrel: This, the largest wine barrel in the world, has a capacity of 1.7 million litres and was constructed in the year 1934 by the cooper, Fritz Keller. The wood used for this giant barrel was cut in the Black Forest where almost 200 fir trees, each of a length of 40 metres, were felled. The barrel was, however, never filled with wine but has always been the location of a quaint restaurant. *Tours possible.*



03

Ruined Monastery of Limburg: Situated on a craggy spur overlooking the Isenach Valley is the dominant, one-time Benedictine monastery of the Limburg. It is the setting for one aspect of world history since it was here that the greatest treasure of the Holy Roman Empire was stored for over thirty years. It was also here that a synod defined the dates for today's Advent Sundays. During the summer, open-air concerts, operas and stage plays take place here.



04

Hardenburg castle, built in the 13th century, was the ostentatious residence of the Dukes of Leiningen and is one of the biggest castle ruins in the country. With its many towers, stairs and passages it invites young and old visitors to discover, experience and conquer. The visitors centre offers an exhibition, film and multimedia guides. Guided tours on demand. Phone: 06322-935140. Jan-Mar and Oct-Nov 9-16:30; Apr-Sept 9-18 o'clock. Closed in Dec. and on every first working day of the week.



05

The Roman Villa Weilberg: In 1981, on the side of the Weilburg, a Roman wine press as well as the remains of the largest Roman manor house in the Palatinate were discovered. The main house is presumed to have had a front wall 150 metres long. A view through the imposingly renovated walls and pillars offers a panorama of vineyards, Palatinate Forest, the town of Bad Dürkheim and the plains of the River Rhine.



06

The Spa Hotel and Casino: Situated at the upper end of the spa gardens are the venues for summer dancing. The casino offers classical casino games such as roulette, touch bet roulette, black jack and poker. In the playing saloon there is a selection of more than 150 different slot machines ranging from classic to multi-roulette and jackpot equipment. *Tours possible.*

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The Valentin-Ostertag-Fountain: This fountain dominates the upper end of the spa gardens. With its foot decorated with coats of arms, the bowl in the shape of a mussel and decorated with figures of dolphins and pine cones it is reminiscent of an Italian fountain in Rome. It is a reminder of Valentin Ostertag who, at the beginning of the 16th century bequeathed Bad Dürkheim with Germany's oldest, still existing public trust.

07



Kurpark: The upper spa gardens surrounded by the casino, the spa hotel, St. Ludwig's Church and the Valentin-Ostertag-Fountain were laid out in 1847, the year in which Bad Dürkheim was officially proclaimed to be a salt water bath, on the site of the one-time Leininger Castle. The lower part of the gardens has been designed as an English garden with an impressive collection of old trees.

08



Kurzentrums (Hot Springs Resort): Time out to relax and enjoy the therapeutic programme offered by the wellness-staff, ranging from medical wellness to classical therapies – the ideal way to regain one's health and strength. In the thermal baths you enjoy the salt water bubbling up from the source of the Fronmühle. *More information available under the guided tour "Salt, Saline and Salt Baths".*

09



Salinarium (Sauna and Leisure Pool): The Salinarium offers you 100 % fun, 0% boredom and many experiences for your senses. There is an indoor and outdoor pool, a sauna area with Ottoman baths, Finnish sauna, wooden cabin sauna, steam bath, sauna bar and sunterrace, a water slide 100 metres long, a wellness area with honey treatments, Thai massage and salt therapy. www.salinarium.de, Tel. 06322-935 865

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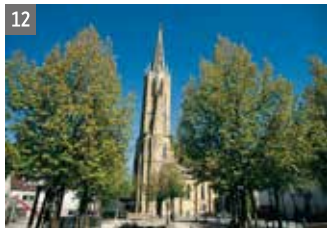
Michaelskapelle: The origins of today's "Sausage Festival" are to be found along the pilgrim's way to St. Michaelsberg, with its chapel dating back to the year 1155. The pilgrims were provided by the local farmers and winegrowers with food in the form of wine, bread and sausages. The old chapel was demolished in the year 1601 and was first rebuilt in 1990. *More information available under the guided tour "The Romans and Wine".*

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Schlosskirche: Near the Schlosskirche, completed in 1335, were found the remains of its Gothic origins and made available to the public in 1978. The western tower (1863/66) is built on the foundation of the church built in the Middle Ages. The building houses a vestry (later on the private pews of the local gentry) and the eminently significant Renaissance burial chapel of the Earls of Leininger. The church is also used regularly for concerts.

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St. Ludwig Church: Built in 1828/30 according to the plans of the famous German church architect, Friederich Weinbrenner, the interior is relatively inornate but was elaborated upon in 1895 with the installation of an altar piece and an organ and then, 100 years after its inauguration, with a new pewage. Of particular interest are the fresco paintings showing details of the times of National Socialism. *More details available under town tours.*



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Fronmühlquelle: Built in 1832 to a depth of 136 metres, this salt water well is still used to provide the salt water required for the spa activities in Bad Dürkheim, feeding also the thermal bath. *More information available under the guided tour "Salt, Saline and Salt Baths".*



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Stadtplatz with Firebird: Here at the heart of the pedestrian area of Bad Dürkheim is where most events in the town take place. At the southern end can be found a sculpture from the artist Walter Perron allegorizing the firebird "Phoenix". This legendary bird burns itself in order to be reborn – a symbol of the rebuilding of Bad Dürkheim after the Second World War.

More details available under town tours.



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Römerplatz with Fountain: This town square surrounded by attractive facades represents the site where Bad Dürkheim was first founded. The name is derived from the town hall (Römer) built in 1495 in the middle of the square. This is symbolised today by the fountain, made out of bronze and sandstone and the coat of arms of Bad Dürkheim and its surrounding villages.

More details available under town tours.



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Wurstmarktbrunnen: Built in front of the railway station in 1986, this fountain incorporates both the history and present day importance of the largest wine festival in the world, the "Sausage Market Festival". This takes place every year on the second and third weekend of September, for nine days. And what does this festival have to do with red Indians, bees and monks and where does the name "Schubkärchler" come from?



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Baroque Town Hall of Leistadt and the Sonnenkreisel: One of the most attractive sights to see in the town village of Leistadt is the baroque town hall, built in 1750. A few hundred yards on, towards the south of the village, is a sandstone whirligig representing the rays of the sun against a background of vineyards and the plains of the River Rhine. This is also the reason why the town villagers claim to be "nearest to the sun".

Roman Stone Quarry of “Kriemhildenstuhl”: The most unusual sight to see in this, the best-conserved Roman quarry north of the Alps, is the original antique “Graffiti der Römer”. Engravings and other works of art, over 2,000 years old and still to be marvelled at. One assumes that the sandstone quarried here was used to build the major buildings of the town of Mainz, which was originally Roman. The view from the quarry encompasses Bad Dürkheim and its vineyards.

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Kaiser-Wilhelm-Denkmal: This towered castle was built in honour of Emperor Wilhelm 1. on a stone outcrop at a height of 270 metres. The south side still has a cave originally used as a retreat. The castle was further enhanced upon in 1898 when a reproduction of the Emperor was erected. The view from the top of the tower is awe-inspiring, looking over the tree tops of the Palatinate Forest and the ruins of the Monastery of Limburg.

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Teufelstein – simply fantastic: The devil’s stone, 2,50 metres high and up to 4 metres wide has a veritably “devilish” legend behind it. The strange steps in the stone are supposed to have been made by the devil’s hooves as he rode over the stone, enraged at the building of the Limburg monastery, the only way that he could show his anger. *More information available during the guided tour “Kaiser, Kelten und Kohorten”.*

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Celtic Ring Wall “Heidenmauer”: This “heathen wall” was erected around 500 B.C as a protective ring wall around the Celtic settlement (Oppidum). The wall is 2,5 km long and encloses an area of 26 hectares. The timber-lattice rampart was originally filled with quarry stone but not mortared-in. *More information available during the guided tour “Kaiser, Kelten und Kohorten”.*

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Klosterkirche Seebach: Originally a late-Roman abbey belonging to the Order of St. Benedict, it was built in the first half of the 12th century. The abbey itself was abrogated in 1591 and the only remaining buildings are the choir area and the six-sided crossing tower, today an evangelical church. The choir area can be identified by the walled vertical tower and lombard band as well as the window embrasures.

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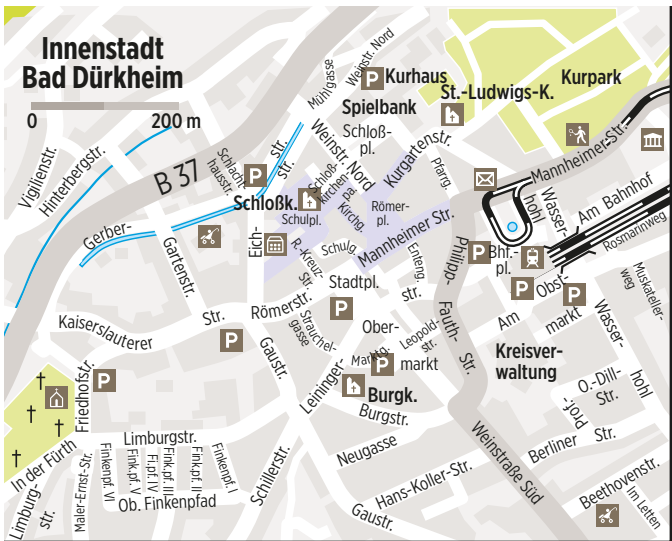
Flaggenturm: The “Coffee Mill”, is an eight-sided flag tower which has looked over the picturesque vineyards of “Fuchsmantel”, to the southwest of Bad Dürkheim, since the year 1854. The embattled parapet of the viewing tower offers a spectacular panorama view over the plains of the River Rhine, the Palatinate Forest, the Limburg and the Bismarckturm.

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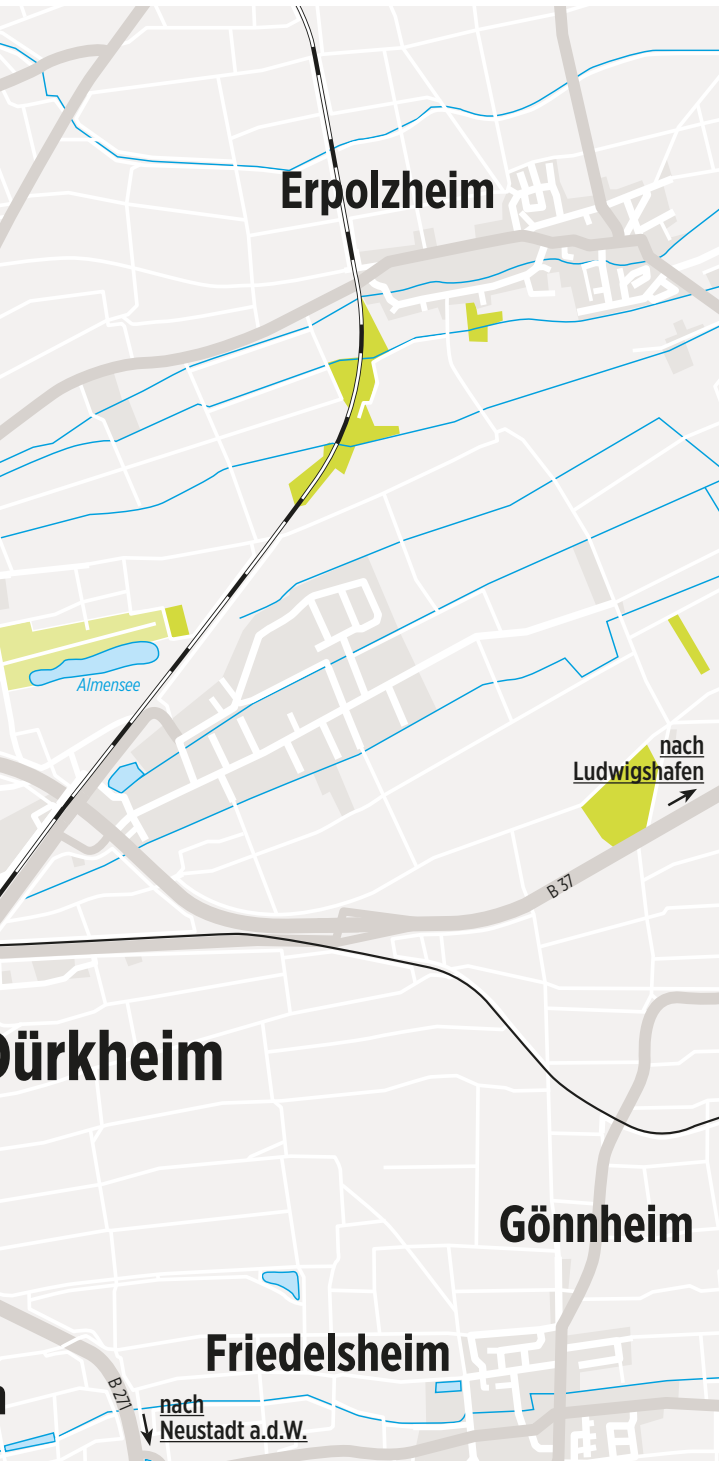
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EVERYTHING UNDER ONE ROOF KURPARK-HOTEL, BEAUTY LOUNGE AND SPIELBANK BAD DÜRKHEIM

The spa town of Bad Dürkheim, situated at the foot of the Palatinate Forest, is the starting point for diverse activities, an ideal place to relax and get pampered. Why not at the Kurpark-Hotel that is beautifully located in direct neighbourhood of the Mediterranean styled spa gardens and close to the graduation tower? Business or holiday trip, stop on a hiking tour, romantic weekend, family celebration or wellness holiday: the Kurpark-Hotel with its four-star-comfort offers the perfect setting. The restaurant “Leinigers” with its gastronomic specialities invites you to feast and savour. Moreover, the beauty lounge as well as the wellness and fitness area take care of your physical balance and relaxation. Completed by perfect service and cordial Palatinate hospitality, a stay at the Kurpark-Hotel will be an unforgettable experience for every guest.

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RESTAURANT "LEININGERS"

Our restaurant "Leinigers", completely modernised in spring 2013, offers room for a cosy dinner for two in a modern and elegant atmosphere, but also provides the right setting for bigger groups. The large window gallery points to the upper part of the Mediterranean styled spa gardens. In summer, the big glass doors open to a magnificent terrace.



WELLNESS / FITNESS AREA

The modernised wellness area offers our guests even more comfort than before: experience pure pleasure for body and soul: swimming pool with upstream swimming system and bubble loungers, bio and Finnish sauna, massage and lifestyle showers, infrared sauna, sun beds and relaxation rooms. Use our new fitness area with its beautiful ambiance to improve your fitness with modern equipment such as treadmills, ergometer and cross trainers.



BEAUTY LOUNGE

The Beauty Lounge in the Kurpark-Hotel is the ideal place to activate the energy reserves of your body. A multitude of body and beauty treatments makes sure you will get pampered and relax according to your individual needs during your stay. The Beauty Lounge is your expert for individual beauty and well-being.



CASINO BAD DÜRKHEIM

Following the motto "everything under one roof", the Casino is situated in the same building as the hotel. At the Casino, guests that are 18 years or older will find varied entertainment with Roulette, electronic TouchBet Roulette, Black Jack and Poker games in the elegant atmosphere of "classic gaming".



SLOT MACHINE HALL

The slot machine hall "Jackpot Corner" of the Casino Bad Dürkheim was completely modernised in spring 2013. We focused especially on creating a cultivated and classy atmosphere. You will find a selection of approximately 120 machines with multi-Roulette and diverse jackpot systems at your disposal.



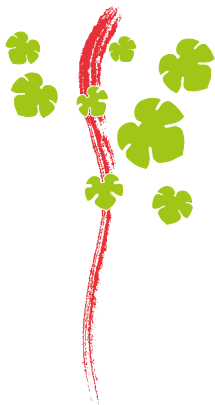
SPA GARDENS

The Kurpark-Hotel, situated in a calm neighbourhood, borders directly on the spa gardens. Enjoy the magnificent terrace pointing to the spa gardens. Enjoy Mediterranean flair from spring until autumn. Due to the renaturation of the Isenach, the appearance of the spa gardens has completely changed. Small bridges, stepping-stones and new activity zones including a stream with a water wheel, a water playground and fountains provide fun experiences for visitors.



THE HOLIDAY REGION OF FREINSHEIM

Vineyards, fruit orchards and asparagus fields shape the landscape in and around the holiday region of Freinsheim. The valley of the River Rhine leading through the sea of vines up to the gentle foothills of the Palatinate Forest is the ideal holiday region for all nature lovers who would like to engage in **hiking, cycling or just rambling**. Wine festivals are celebrated here in the vineyards themselves, in a delightfully old-fashioned fashion and even the vicar is known to conduct a church service in the local dialect. Wine tastings are also celebrated in a covered wagon trundling through the vineyards from which the wines were made and even golf is played on a course set **between Riesling and Spätburgunder vines**. The little town of Freinsheim is sure to satisfy even the most demanding tourist with its beautifully-restored old town and completely preserved town wall as well as its proverbial Palatinate hospitality which can also be found in the other historical villages of the region such as **Bobenheim am Berg, Erpolzheim, Herxheim am Berg, Kallstadt, Weisenheim am Berg** and **Weisenheim am Sand**. Cosy wine taverns are situated side by side with exclusive restaurants and in the wine-growers' courtyards one can enjoy a glass of new wine or purchase freshly-picked fruit from the farm shop just over the road. With more than 1,000 guest beds, all of which are regularly booked, you can be sure to be visiting a region where the interaction of the natural countryside, culinary delights and the uncomplicated Palatinate way of life reflects a perfect harmony. Welcome to the holiday region of Freinsheim!



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In its function as local winemaking cooperative, the “Weinparadies Freinsheim” is the place to go for all wine-loving visitors of Freinsheim. The wine shop offers the possibility to taste and buy all wines of the assortment in a friendly and pleasant atmosphere. In combination with the adjoined restaurant, numerous events and activities invite you to participate. The “Weinparadies” offers guided tours of the cellars and wine-tastings, from April to October every Saturday at 2pm; reservation or minimum number of participants are not required. Visitors may savour home-made cakes or typical Palatinate dishes at the restaurant of the “Weinparadies”. In addition, weekly menus provide variety and seasonal delicacies. Numerous events around the medieval town wall and the baroque town centre offer opportunities to visit Freinsheim, a side trip to the “Weinparadies” should not be missed on the occasion.



**Bobenheim
am Berg**

**Weisenheim
am Berg**

**Herxheim
am Berg**

**Leistadt
(zu DÜW)**

**Ungstein
(zu DÜW)**



Dackenheim

Kallstadt

**Weisenheim
am Sand**

Freinsheim

Erpolzheim

Birkenheide

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BOBENHEIM AM BERG: set in a sea of vines towards the valley of the River Rhine. Of course, wine plays a vital part of life in the village and it is not only the fountain made out of a wine barrel and a winegrower which does justice to this tradition. The old bakery has also been renovated in the style of old and is now again the scene where the women of the village bake their bread together. This is just one aspect of the art of living together which is cultivated in the village of Bobenheim.



BOBENHEIM AM BERG: Winegrower's Fountain and bakery: A wine barrel with a winegrower resting on it is perhaps a symbol of how relaxing a good wine can be. To be found between the town hall and the church. Not far from it is the recently –restored historical bakery with its stone baking oven where even today the tradition of village baking is cultivated.



DACKENHEIM: This old village with a mere 350 inhabitants is the smallest village in the County of Bad Dürkheim. Best known for its golf course – Golfgarten Deutsche Weinstraße – which was built in 1977, the village itself is characterised by the unusual square tower of the catholic church. As in many winegrowing communities, there is also a “wine fountain” – in this case the “Liebesbrunnen”.



DACKENHEIM: Golf course Deutsche Weinstrasse: The 27-hole golf course in the little village of Dackenheim stretches over both sides of the German Wine Street. Positioned in an idyllic setting between vineyards and orchards one can play golf here with a fantastic panorama view.



ERPOLZHEIM: Farming is the most obvious occupation in and around Erpolzheim which lies alongside the River Isenach between the valley of the Rhine and the Haardt hills. In the sandy soils of the fields belonging to the village it is above all asparagus but also wine and other fruits which grow well. The centre of the village is characterised by the church tower of the protestant church with its bright blue clock face.



ERPOLZHEIM: Protestant Church: Built in a late neo-classical style together with its monumental facaded spire constructed in 1848/49, the church is the centre point of the fruit, asparagus and winegrowing village of Erpolzheim. The azure blue dial of the clock tower guides cyclists and hikers along the right path to Erpolzheim. To the left and right of the church is the main street with its numerous wineries and farm shops where freshly-harvested fruit and vegetables can be purchased.

ERPOLZHEIM: Isenach and Epolzheimer Fault:

The course of the Isenach stream leads through this diversified landscape conservation area which, with its extensive meadows, provides a home for innumerable plants and animals. Whether walking or riding, the climatic advantages of the Vorderpfalz can be enjoyed here during the entire year.



HERXHEIM AM BERG: The view from the vineyard terraces of this village overlooking the plains of the River Rhine is as if one were standing on a stage. The commanding view over to the Odenwald forest, stretches from the left to the Taunus region and to the right to the Black Forest. This, the highest-located wine village along the German Wine Street stores innumerable heavenly treasures in its cellars and hence the name of its most famous vineyard – Himmelreich.



HERXHEIM AM BERG: Schlossgarten and Evangelical Church of St. Jakob: The castle gardens represent the balcony of the entire village and is the picturesque setting for many cultural events throughout the year, the magnificent row of trees along its wall ensuring a shady place to relax. The church was constructed in the year 1014 and is therefore one of the oldest sacred buildings in the Palatinate. Well-worth seeing are the altar paintings in the chancel and the arched apsis.



HERXHEIM AM BERG: Remains of the medieval village wall can still be found in and around the village. Originally 1.5 km long there are only 930 m remaining today. In the middle of the village one can see the Pfaffentor, an old defensive tower. The famous vineyards named Himmelreich and Honigsack grow right up to this impressive village wall.



Felsenberg-Berntal: This nature protection area is 300 hectares in size and extends to a length of 1.2 km. Characterised by an eroded chalkstone edge it is reminiscent of a miniature version of the Swabian Alps. The Herxheimer Karsthöhle, a cave set in one of the hillsides is well-known for the archeological and biological finds made in it. More than 20 unusual animal species have been discovered which had adapted themselves to a life in caves.



KALLSTADT: Pretty half-timbered houses and winegrowers' courtyards remind us of the fact that many of the buildings in Kallstadt are more than 300 years old. Outstanding wines are produced on the approx. 600 acres of vineyards belonging to the village – amongst them is the famous Saumagen, (Pig's stomach), notwithstanding its name, one of the finest wines of the Palatinate. The eye-catcher of the village itself is the St. Saluator Church dating back to 1772.





KALLSTADT: The catholic church of St. Salvator: The centre of the village and also the main eye-catcher is the St. Salvator Kirche (1772) with its 36m tower, its Gothic plinth and baroque slate canopy. The church is also the home of an organ built by the famous organ builder Geib from Saarbrücken. The historic water fountain with its water trough is well guarded by the Kallstadter Löwen. Particularly picturesque are the numerous half-timbered houses and wineries.



Roman winery Weilberg: Proof of the fact that viticulture was an important industry at the time of the Roman emperors can be found in the old winery excavated in 1981 and situated between **Kallstadt and Ungstein**. The remains of the estate buildings were partially reconstructed to give the visitor an idea of what the estate used to look like. Informative signs indicate how impressive this enormous wine-estate once was.



WEISENHEIM AM BERG: This pretty village lies serenely at the foot of the Haardt Hills. Thanks to the fact that main roads are far removed from the village, it is an ideal place to relax or be the starting point for many a walk through the forests or fields. The “Ungeheusersee” (monster’s lake) nearby is also well-worth visiting. The defining architectural sights of the village are its two churches which are also the scene of two major village celebrations.



WEISENHEIM AM BERG: The village square and foundation stone set the scene for a tradition going back to the 8th century. People new to the village have to go through the procedure of being “inaugurated” on the foundation stone before they are allowed to live here. This privilege has to be “bought” from the village council by payment in nuts, cheese, bread and wine. The other historic attraction is when the parish priest holds his sermon in the language of the local dialect.



Ungeheusersee: Approx. 3km west of Weisenheim on the side of a hill in the Palatinate Forest is an upland moor lake fed by two streams and with a variety of rare orchids and cotton grass set on small floating islands. The Ungeheusersee has been a protected site since the 1930’s and is still unique in the region. On its banks can be found the Weisenheimer Hütte, a wanderer’s tavern belonging to the the Pfälzerwald-Verein, a popular hiking destination.



Bismarckturm: 40m in height, this tower was built in Neo-Romanesque style from 1901-1903 on the Peterskopf (495m above sea level) It represents a combination of a historical monument and a watchtower and is made up of three elements: the impressive arched basement and lower terrace, a second but smaller watchtower and the main watchtower, led up to by 158 steps. The tower is open to visitors all-the-year-round over the weekend.

WEISENHEIM AM SAND: The most valuable asset of the village are its orchards, its vineyards and the asparagus and vegetable fields. Springtime, when the blossoms present a sea of colours, is the time when many visitors like to come. There is also evidence that wine has been produced here since the 8th century. Together with the more relaxing experience in the nearby “Ludwigshain”, there is also the more stirring event presented by the traditional carnival procession of the “Rieslingwurm”.



WEISENHEIM AM SAND: Obertor: The wine festival under the lime trees, the village festival, the Easter egg hunt and the carnival procession “Rieslingwurm” – one never stops celebrating at the Obertor. The favourite meeting point is at the heart of the village, the village fountain. Weisenheim am Sand is one of the largest producers in the Palatinate of wine, asparagus and early-ripening fruits.



WEISENHEIM AM SAND: Ludwigshain: This local recreational area south of the village, 50 hectares in size, also sets the scene for numerous festivals throughout the year, for example, the plum tree walking tour on the first weekend in September or the romantic Christmas festival in the forest. Ludwigshain is also the horse-riding centre of the region and the starting point for walking tours of vineyards, orchards and asparagus fields.



January, May and September are the months during which the most unusual wine-tastings of the region take place. Long walks are made easier by being accompanied by culinary and wine-tasting sessions through the villages of Freinsheim, Herxheim, Erpolzheim, Weisenheim am Berg and Weisenheim am Sand. Red wines, asparagus and fresh plums are the determining factor of these, the “longest” wine festivals in the holiday region of Freinsheim.



It is only during a few weeks, from April to June, during which asparagus can be harvested and it is therefore not surprising to learn that asparagus together with the blossom of almond and other fruit trees determine what the Palatinate looks like during the Spring and early summer. During the autumn it is then “Pälzer Keschde” (chestnuts) and pumpkins which appear on the seasonal menu and in the farm shops, an absolute “must” for every visitor to the Palatinate.



From the end of August until the end of October – is the time to enjoy “Bitzler” the freshly-fermented new wine of the year. The wine-growers’ courtyards open up to the public allowing you to sit outside and enjoy the new wine before it is filtered and bottled. A unique speciality which you just have to sample!



MUSEUM

Historical Toy Museum:

1500 examples of toys as made by the Bing-Werke in Nürnberg up to the year 1932. An der Bach 9, opening times: daily from April to October and 14.00 to 18:00 hrs on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays from November to March. Admission: €3.50 per person. Tel. 06353-916557, www.spielzeugmuseum-freinsheim.de

The Tin Figure Museum: A private collection of tin figures depicting the history of Freinsheim and exhibited in display cases. Breitestrasse 9. Opening times: April to October on Saturdays from 12:00 to 14:00 hrs or following advance registration.

Tel. 06535 1686, admission €1.50, children free of charge (up to the age of 10)

Handwerkermuseum: An exhibition of arts and crafts in the old guildhall (Eisentor). Opening times. Saturdays and Sundays from 13:00 to 16:00 hrs. Guided tours are also possible following special arrangement. Further information available under 0174-6057418 and at i-Punkt Freinsheim, Tel. 06353-989294

GUIDED TOURS

FREINSHEIM:

Guided tours along the medieval town wall and through the renovated old town centre. Sat. at 11.15 (April-Oct.) meeting point: historic town hall, price: 3 € per person, groups up to 25 persons on demand, tours equally offered in dialect, with historic costumes, with the night-watchman or with snack and sparkling wine reception.

Phone 06353-989294, www.freinsheim.de

HERXHEIM AM BERG:

Guided tour of the natural reserve Felsenberg focusing on geological and botanic information, min. 5 persons, list of set dates on demand, phone 06322-667838, www.freinsheim.de

GUIDED TOUR OF WINE CELLARS/ WINE-GROWING ESTATES

Groups of min. 6 persons on appointment, equally possible with additional wine-tastings hosted by an expert in diverse estates of the region. Phone: 06322-667838

SPECIALS

Theater Freinsheim: Possibly the smallest theatre in the world in the medieval tower of the old town wall. Pre-registration is therefore an absolute must.

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Covered wagon tour: Enjoy being pulled by horses in a covered wagon through the vineyards, includes a wine-tasting and picnic etc. Tel. 06322-667838, www.freinsheim.de

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FREINSHEIM



FREINSHEIM “flows over with history, wine and fruit“ is the way in which the local author, Hermann Sinsheimer, described the outstanding features of the village in which he was born. Although that was a long time ago, it is still appropriate since the village remains set in over 1,000 acres of vineyards and 500 acres of orchards on the plains between the Palatinate Forest and the River Rhine. The beautifully preserved old town with its 5000 inhabitants invites its guests to visit the medieval town wall, stroll through the narrow streets, climb up old stairways or just sense the history of the village in the nooks and crannies between the baroque buildings.

“Dreamy old houses protected by the almost threateningly dark town wall” is another saying attributed to Sinsheimer. But that is also a long time ago and nowadays the town wall is not as gloomy as in the past, surrounding, as it does, the immaculately renovated town centre. Today, although still mystical, it is far more picturesque and instead of warding off invaders it now invites guests to visit the many towers and gateways along its circumference of 1.4 km. The “Stadtmauerfest“ in July is a festival well-known in the region for its “merriness” whilst at other times, guests can simply enjoy the peace and quiet of the historic surroundings.

The combination of winegrowers committed to the production of high quality wines, a comprehensive range of types of accommodation and the wide range of gastronomic temptations ensures that the history of Freinsheim remains alive and well and that it is not only one’s thirst for wine which can be satisfied. For the bon vivants amongst you, the red wine hiking tour during the winter, the old town festival during the summer and the culinary walking tour during the autumn can be warmly recommended.



01

Historical Town Hall/Market Square: Built in the year 1750, this old town hall is now used by the Tourist Information. The outside staircase with its balustrade leads up to the one-time council chamber, now the Registry Office. The Protestant church, dating back to the 15th century, the two oldest taverns in Freinsheim and other magnificently-restored stately homes transform the market square into a picture book showing how Freinsheim used to look.



02

Von-Busch-Hof: The cultural heart of Freinsheim, set in the 300-year old tithe barn, is used for concerts, exhibitions and as a theatre. It is also available for private use. The cobblestone inner courtyard affords entrance to a tour of the town wall and is surrounded by modern hotels, restaurants and a bistro albeit in lovingly-restored buildings of old.



03

Town Wall: A tour of the old town wall leads underneath medieval houses, is sometimes just one metre wide, and has a surprise, rich in history, waiting at every corner. The wall, in parts up to eight metres high and the well-preserved defence towers not only provide ideal motives for your holiday photo album but are also interrupted by sunlit sites where cabaret, local handicrafts and good food and wine can be enjoyed.



A TOUR OF FREINSHEIM

Haintor: The west entrance to the town used to harbour a portcullis and had an additional storey making it even more impressive than the 15 metres still to be marvelled at. The Haintor is one of eight remaining towers, one of which is used as a professional theatre.



Barockgarten: To the east of Freinsheim, outside the town hall lie the baroque gardens, rebuilt according to historic plans to encompass a summer house. An elaborate fountain illustrates the sights to see in Freinsheim as well as quoting Freinsheim's most famous son, the journalist, theatre critic and author Hermann Sinsheimer with the words "My home is brimming over with history, wine and fruit".



Äußeres Eisentor: Right up to the beginning of the 19th century, the "Iron Gate" was one of just two entrances to the town. Two mighty towers, each with a cross-section of eight metres, are situated to the left and the right of the outer door's archway. The coat of arms belonging to the Electoral Palatinate and displaying the year 1514 is, in itself, a demonstration of how mighty this historical territory of the Holy Roman Empire once was.



Inneres Eisentor: The inner door was constructed with a bay window intended for being used to tip hot pitch onto attacking soldiers but is now the home of the craftsman's museum. The door opens up onto the Herrenstraße and Marktplatz.



Archaeological Findings in the vineyards: The custom of burying the dead, which dates back to the end of the Holy Roman Empire, has led to the finding of traces of Roman settlement in the famous vineyard of Freinsheimer Musikantenbuckel. Four stone sarcophagi, chiselled out of one piece of stone, were found during land consolidation projects. One of these has been set up in a temple-shaped building in the middle of the vines.



Schwarzes Kreuz, Musikantenbuckel, Honigsack, Himmelreich, Saumagen – many of the vineyards in the holiday region of Freinsheim have unusual names (Black Cross, Musician's Burden, Sack of Honey, Kingdom of Heaven, Pig's Stomach). The meaningful history behind them is best learnt on location, accompanied by a corresponding glass of wine and listening to someone responsible for creating such a delicious drop. "To your very good health ... the Palatinate !"



LEININGERLAND

The **Earls of Leiningen** gave their name to the countryside on whose hills their castles were built. Even today, they stand witness to the chequered history of this region, spoilt as it is by Mother Nature. In contrast, there is an example of contemporary architecture which marks **the beginning of the German Wine Street** in Bockenheim. Indeed the entire region is full of contrasts including magnificent walking tours through the forests to the west, near Hettenleidelheim. There are also the former **clay pits**, now the home of rare plants, just a few kilometres further on towards Grünstadt-Land, and then, of course, **vineyards**, as far as the eye can see. Conspicuously perched on a rocky outcrop of the Haardt hills is the medieval village of **Neuleiningen**, a living example of how Tuscan flair has survived the passage of time. Situated in the middle of Leiningerland is the town of Grünstadt with its lively pedestrian area surrounded by many shops and the popular convention centre “Weinstraßencenter”.

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ALTLEININGEN: The ancestral castle of the Earls of Leiningen – under whose jurisdiction the majority of the Palatinate once fell- is situated here on the Taubersberg. Overnight accommodation is available at the modern youth hostel which has been built in the castle. South of Altleiningen is the district of Hönningen where the remains of the old monastery of Augustiner Chorherrn (founded in 1120) can still be seen.



BATTENBERG: Around the year 1240, the Earls of Leiningen built Burg Battenberg, the remains of which are open to visitors. Today, the village of Battenberg is a much sought-after place to live. Hikers are enthusiastic about the views from its elevated position whilst amateur geologists are always fascinated by the “Blitzröhren” an unusual geological formation of clay tubes outside the village.



BISSERSHEIM: This village is a typically Palatinate village and can look back over a 1200 year old tradition of winemaking. Numerous winemakers' courtyards invite you in for a wine tasting and tour before you move on to see the village church, built in 1738, with its original bell tower, which is still in use.



BOCKENHEIM: Both viticulture and viniculture have their roots in Bockenheim, where the Romans once made wine. The village has numerous winegrowers, wine taverns and a wide selection of overnight accommodation to offer. Bockenheim is the starting point of the German Wine Street, well-documented in the bold architecture of the “Haus der Deutschen Weinstraße”.



CARLSBERG: Carlsberg, together with the district of Hertlingshausen, was once the most important trader's settlements in Germany. Today, the emphasis is on relaxation with numerous activities on offer, from circular walking tours, game reserves in Carlsberg and Freischach, miniature golf next to a barbecue area and Kneipp facilities at the Naturfreundehaus Hertlingshausen and the Carlsberg Concerts in the Bürgerhaus.



DIRMSTEIN: This veritable jewel of the Leiningerland is probably of Roman origin and was once the official residence of 22 noble families. Amongst these was the Bishop of Worms, who set up his summer residence here. There are also other historic remains to be seen, the Sturmfeder'sche, the Koeth-Wanscheid'sche or the Quadt'sche Schloß as well as the double church or the English Garden dating back to the 19th Century.

EBERTSHEIM: In 1969 Ebertsheim and Rodenbach were united to the township of Ebertsheim. Not only the two Protestant churches and the old town hall of Rodenbach are well-worth seeing but also the harmonious impression given by the judicious implementation of village development – to improve life in the village without destroying its rural character.



GEROLSHEIM: This village lies at the foot of the Palmberg. Its religious roots can be seen in the two churches in the village. The tower of the Catholic Church of St. Leodegar dates back to the 15th Century whilst the Protestant Church was built in 1834/35. Wineries rich in the tradition of winemaking offer top quality wines. The villagers are particularly proud of their Community Centre with its outside sports areas.



GROSSKARLBACH: This charming wine village is situated along the Eckbach-Mühlenwanderweg. The importance of the numerous water mills which, starting in the 13th Century, once brought prosperity to the village, can still be seen in the numerous imposing town houses. The local history museum, Mühlenmuseum, gives further insight into the milling techniques of old.



HETTENLEIDELHEIM: The village is best known for its clay pits which were first utilised in the 18th Century and which led to considerable prosperity during the Industrial Revolution. In the year 1890 there were more than 130 open cast mining sites. Today, this industrial wasteland is a fascinating mixture of a one-time industry now being taken over by nature again.



KINDENHEIM: This village lies in the Kinderbach Valley, set in a sea of vines and protected by the gently sloping hills of the Kahlen- and Gerstenberg. Of considerable significance are the “Kindenheimer Steinlöcher” an area where limestone quarrying took place in the 19th Century but now a protected biotope with calcareous grasslands where wild anemones grow. The wine trail affords magnificent views over the Rhine plain.



KIRCHHEIM: A traditional wine village dating back over 1200 years is the home of impressive winemakers' courtyards, outstanding wines and excellent restaurants. There are numerous beautiful walks through the Leiningerland – Kirchheim lies along the Mühlenwanderweg (Water Mill Trail)- and it is just a short distance from the valley of Krumbach with its Ungeheuersee (The Sea of Monsters).



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KLEINKARLBACH: The village lies at the foot of the two ruined castles of Battenberg and Neuleiningen. Distinguished wine producers and distillers are the main feature of the area which has not only been well-known for its wines but also for its water mills, five of which are still in existence and one still in operation. The flowers and vines which line the valley of Eckbach together with its numerous wells are the undoubted eye-catcher.



MERTESHEIM: The village lies on the banks of the River Eisbach, between Eisenberg and Grünstadt. The main attraction in the village is the village church of St. Valentine, built almost 500 years ago, and today surrounded by trees, shrubs and flowers.



NEULEININGEN: The castle of Neuleiningen was built by Friedrich III, Earl of Leiningen. The town wall, upper gate and the towers are still in their original state. Old half-timbered houses, some well-preserved and others carefully renovated, characterise the overall picture of the village which has been awarded the title of a state-approved tourist village and as such is the medieval jewel of the German Wine Street.



LAUMERSHEIM: This aspiring village was known as a wine village as long ago as the 8th Century. Along with vines and wines there is also a thriving orchard industry. Particularly worthwhile visiting is the village castle, the old baroque church with its early Gothic wall paintings and the winegrower's cooperative, Palmberg.



OBERSÜLZEN: To the east of Grünstadt lies the village of Obersülzen, best known as where Mennonite refugees once settled and have remained to this very day. Not only did they introduce manual skills and craftsmanship unknown to the villagers, they also established a thriving linen-weaving industry. Today, the fertile, medium-heavy soils in the field around the village are where farming, viticulture and asparagus thrive.



OBRIGHEIM: The amalgamation of the villages of Albsheim, Colgenstein, Heidesheim, Mühlheim und Obrigheim led to the formation of the new town of Obrigheim. The oldest church organ in the Palatinate (1730) can still be seen in the church in Albsheim whilst the village church in Colgenstein has a remarkable late Gothic baptismal font from 1509 and the oldest church bell (1320) in the Palatinate.

QUIRNHEIM: The rural district of Quirnheim lies on the southwestern slopes of the River Eisbach and encompasses the villages of Boßweiler and Quirnheim-Tal. Remains of an old Roman settlement have been found in Boßweiler – including the largest Roman villa in the Palatinate. The most elevated part of the district is on the Gerstenberg, where one can find a grass runway used by gliders and other small aircraft.



TIEFENTHAL: The village lies in the valley between Eisbachtal and Eckbachtal. First mentioned in the church chronicles of 1318, the village has an interesting Protestant church dating back to 1767 with numerous Renaissance carvings as well as a Catholic church built in 1931, displaying a Madonna from 1680. There are numerous well-signposted walks to the natural monument „Eiswiesen“, as well as the Arm-Kneipp facilities nearby.



WATTENHEIM: The village rests on gentle hilly slopes and is the ideal starting point for walks both long and short. The history of the Protestant church dates back to the days of the Crusades whilst the magnificent Catholic church, in the middle of the village, is a neo-Gothic construction from the year 1892/3. Excavations have shown that the Romans also settled in Wattenheim.



HETTENLEIDELHEIM/EISENBERG: Where, during the last decades, one clay mine next to another provided the building materials required by the inhabitants of the region, there now exists a veritable paradise for rare plants and species. Ramblers can enjoy the peace and quiet along this romantic stretch of water leading through an unspoiled area of outstanding natural beauty. By arrangement, there is also an official tour guide available to tell you more about the mining industry of old.



The **Luftfahrtverein Grünstadt** although in the first place a gliding club, it also offers flights in motor gliders. Its members, correspondingly, first have to show their enthusiasm for unpowered gliding before developing any enthusiasm for motor gliders. The grand scale of the airfield on the Quirnheimer Berg is home to this enthusiastic club full of the tradition of airgliding.



The **Motorrad-Technik-Museum** in Quirnheim, situated next to the gliding club, is home to 72 motorcycles and other technical exhibits ranging from spanners and wrenches up to fully-functional transmission units and many more items of interest. Opening times: Saturdays from 13:30 until 17:00 hrs. and on December 25th/26th from 13:30 until 16:30. The museum remains closed on January 1st and on Saturdays from November until February.



GRÜNSTADT: This one-time official residence of the Earls of Leiningen now has a population of about 14,000. The town was first mentioned in documents dated 875 and grew to be a flourishing market town during the early Middle Ages. Around the year 1700, the Earls of Leiningen moved into the town, as can still be seen in the three remaining castles: the Leininger Oberhof, with its local history museum, the Unterhof and the baroque Stadthaus, now the town hall. The town's most well-known landmark is the gothic-baroque Martinskirche, with its church museum. For those visitors arriving by train at the new environmentally-friendly station it is just a few steps away to the lively town centre with its attractive pedestrian area. In the Weinstraßencenter, the cultural and convention centre of the town, there is room for 350 guests. Just as varied is the number of sport attractions the town has to offer. The heated swimming pool and baths, open all year, not only have a competition area but also extensive sauna facilities, both inside and outside. Tranquility and relaxation can also be enjoyed in the town park with its barbecue area, Kneipp facilities and barefoot walking tour. Culture and the arts enjoy a considerable reputation in the town. The works of the painter and graphic designer, Karl Unverzagt (dec. 2007), were strongly influenced by this, his home town, and became well-known far beyond the borders of the Palatinate, for which he was made an honorary citizen of Grünstadt. Needless to say, excuses to celebrate are manifold in Grünstadt. The coronation of the official representative of Leiningerland, the Weingräfin (Countess of Wine) takes place during the wine festival at the end of July. This ceremony can be traced back in history to the legendary Countess Eva of Neuleiningen. The tradition of winemaking plays a significant part in the life in both districts of the town. Wineries of outstanding quality, traditional winemakers' half-timbered houses, village streets straddled by a ceiling of vines and the old fortifications are the sights to be seen in Asselheim. There is also a renovated old grape press facility, dating back to the 17th Century. Sausenheim is also a community with a long winemaking tradition. The Protestant church, built in 1725, with its detached, neo-Gothic tower, built in 1836, is the home of Sausenheim's most important work of art, a baptismal font constructed in 1510 by the renowned Wormser School of Masonry.

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GRÜNSTADT: Heimatmuseum - located in the historic city hall "Altes Rathaus". Opening times: Tuesdays./Thursdays./Sundays from 15:00-18:00 (and by arrangement), Tel. 06359-3154 oder Tel. 06359-9296203, www.gruenstadt.de

GRÜNSTADT: Deanery Museum in the Martinskirche Grünstadt, Opening times: by arrangement, Tel. 06359-2201, www.gruenstadt.de

HETTENLEIDELHEIM: Heimatmuseum - local history museum "Archiv Karl Blum", Opening times: Tuesday. 18:00-19:00 (and by arrangement), Tel. 06351-6254, www.vg-h.de

NEULEININGEN: Museum im Burgturm, Opening times: March to October on the first and third Sunday of the month and on bank holidays from 13:00-17:00 and by arrangement, Tel. 06359-82356 or 83173 or 2796.

QUIRNHEIM: Motorrad- und Technikmuseum: Motorcycle and Technical Museum, Opening times: Saturdays from 13:00-17:00, Sundays and Bank Holidays from 11:00-17:00, closed Nov.-Feb., Tel. 06359-82676, www.motorrad-technik-museum.de

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NEULEININGEN: Exciting tours of this medieval village set on the outcrop of a hill, together with its ruined castle. On request, it is also possible to do a torchlight tour including a visit to the museum in the castle tower. Tours by arrangement, Tel. 06359-82356 or 83173 or 2796 or 5532

DIRMSTEIN: “In the footsteps of the Palatinate landed gentry” - Guided tours from April to October (according to availability) 14:00 hrs. Meeting point: In the foyer of the Sturmfeder'schen Schloss. Price: €3.00 per person includes a farewell drink and a glass decorated with the coat of arms of Dirmstein. Group tours available on request. Tel. 06238-667, Mondays to Fridays 08:00-11:00

GROSSKARLBACH: Tours of the village (duration 1 hour) for € 1.00 per person, Tel. 06238-926414, www.grosskarlbach.de

GROSSKARLBACH: Guided tours (duration 45 minutes) through the **Mill Museum**. Opening times: March to October on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month from 14:00 to 17:00. From November to February by arrangement. Groups also possible by arrangement, Tel. 06238-3301 und 926415

GRÜNSTADT: Historic city tour available upon request. Tel. 06359-3154

LEININGERLAND: A tour along the Eckbach Mill Trail accompanied by the culture and wine ambassador, Kerstin Pontasch. Further information available under Info Tel. 06359-8001-820

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SPECIALS

Getting married in the village mill: The mill museum in Großkarlbach. Further information available at the Verbandsgemeinde Grünstadt-Land, Tel. 06359-8001-196. Appointments possible from Mondays to Saturdays, on arrangement.

Getting married in the Sturmfeder'schen Schloss in Dirmstein, Tel. 06359-8001-196

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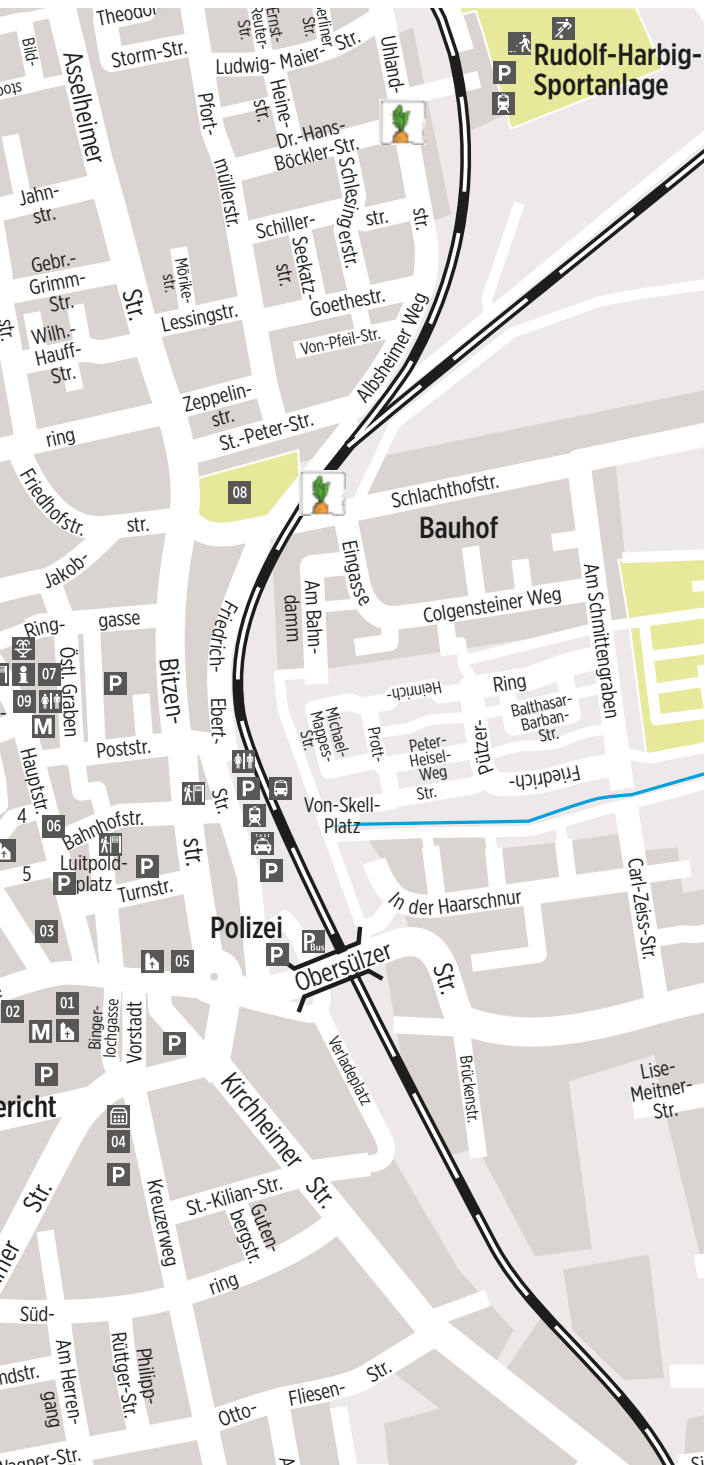
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CITY TOUR GRÜNSTADT



01

The Gothic-Baroque **Martinskirche** and the Dean's Museum are the landmarks of the town. Buried under the church are the holy burial sites of the House of Leiningen. The church itself was destroyed in 1689 and its appearance today dates back to the year 1730. The church spire is, however, still largely the construction of 1618. The upper floor and Baroque housing date back to 1743. Destroyed again during the Second World War, the church was again rebuilt in 1952.



02

The **Schlossplatz** am Unterhof borders on the Martinskirche and presents itself today as a well-kept green space with sandstone fountains. Around 1700, Grünstadt was the official residence of the Counts of Leiningen. The Unterhof is one of the two castles in the town (the other being the Leininger Oberhof). The counts residing in both castles were the descendants of two families Leiningen-Westerburg and took turn in governing the town of Grünstadt.



03

The portal over the main gate of the double-winged **Leininger Oberhof** is occupied nowadays by the town library and the offices of the various village clubs. Count Georg II built the Oberhof in 1716 and Grünstadt remained the official residence of the House of Leiningen from this time onwards. The Oberhof in the Neugasse surpassed by far the Münchhof in the Obergasse (nowadays the Unterhof).



04

The **town hall** in the Kreuzerweg, still one of the finest buildings in Grünstadt, was built between 1750 and 1755 and was originally used as an orphan's home. After the chaos generated by the war in 1813, the building remained uninhabitable having been used by the French as a military hospital. Between 1961 and 1963 the entire building was renovated and most of the old construction restored. Today it is the seat and domicile of the town council.



05

The Catholic **church of St. Peter and St. Paul** in the Obersülzerstrasse used to be a monastery belonging to the Order of the Friars of Capuchin and was built in the years 1700 to 1707. The monastery buildings were renewed in 1840 and the church tower built in 1935. The Baroque altar goes back to 1680 and the altarpiece painted by Schlesinger around 1800. A life-size statue of Maria, built in 1700, impressed the congregation of the time and even today.



06

Particularly appealing is the **pedestrian area** in the middle of the town with its shops, restaurants and cafés. The Luitpoldplatz houses a Brauhaus (brewery) in the Weinstrassencenter, the cultural centre of the town, where concerts, theatre plays and carnival celebrations take place. Grünstadt, with its surrounding villages, has a wide choice of gastronomic delights ranging from local taverns up to gourmet restaurants.

CITY TOUR GRÜNSTADT

The **Alte Rathaus** to the north of the pedestrian area used to be the centre of the Grünstadter farmer's market and was built in 1600. Originally the entire building was in use as a food market. Around 1600 however, an additional market square was built, now known as the Schillerplatz. The Alte Rathaus is the residence of the Tourist Information Office, the Adult Education Centre, the Museum of Local History and the historical wedding chamber.



The gravestones in **Peterspark** remind one of the fact that this used to be a cemetery. Nowadays equipped as a playground, it has become very popular with children and parents alike. In addition to this park, Grünstadt has an official town park with a barbecue lodge and Kneipp facility – the “Grünstädter Berg”. Both parks are considered to be the “green lungs” of the town.



With its “carré vert” and is covered gazebos, the Carrières-sur-Seine square, is situated in the pedestrian zone, “the Mecca of marketers” of Grünstadt. On Wednesdays and Saturdays from 8-14 o'clock, merchants from all parts of the Palatinate region and the adjoining Federal states offer classic products (fruit, vegetables, flowers, pastries, etc.), culinary products (spices, nuts, olives, honey, etc.), animal products (meat, sausages, cheese, fish, etc.) and other products (coffee, cakes, wine, etc.).



One of the most significant aspects of life in Grünstadt is the importance of **cultural events**. Ranging from choirs and instrumental groups, a school of music, a culture club through to a carnival association and local theatre, they all contribute to the vibrant life of this town. Together with classical concerts, church music and theatre plays there are also series of lectures providing an educational programme this town can be proud of.



The Wine and Culture Ambassadors, Kerstin Potasch (to the left of the picture) from Kleinkarlbach and Doris Hammer from Grünstadt-Sausenheim accompany guided tours and have a lot to tell you about wine and regional history accompanied, of course, by a wine-tasting. Bookings available at the Tourist-Information, tel.: 06359 9297234



In 1935, the **wine festival of Grünstadt** was founded, named “Unterhaardter Weinwettstreit” (wine competition of Unterhaardt), to promote wine sales. In 1990, the wine competition took place for the last time and, since 1991, it is named “wine festival of Grünstadt” and celebrated on the Luitpoldplatz, on the fourth weekend of July. Every year since 1950, the “Wine-Countess of the Leiningerland” is crowned during the opening ceremony of the festival (photo: 63rd Wine-Countess Annemarie 1st).



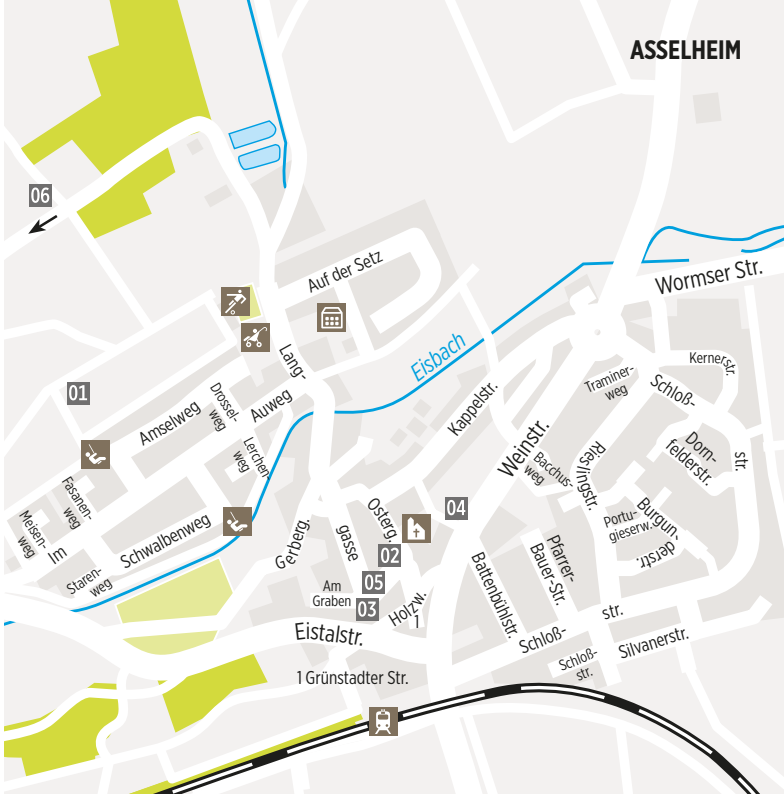


SAUSENHEIM: The wine-growing village of Sausenheim is situated to the south of Grünstadt and is best known for its baptismal font in the evangelical church, celebrating the Wormser School. The Roman Catholic Church of St. Stephan in the Untertorstrasse was first documented in the year 1045. Its impressive Baroque altar was constructed in 1728. The village streets, grown over with vines, are the setting for the well-known wine festival which takes place every year on the last Sunday in September. This festival is also famous for its parade of horse carriages which attracts many thousands of visitors from both near and far. Just as popular is the two-day walk through the vineyards - Höllenpfad - which takes place every year on the first Sunday in June and is organised by the winegrowers of Sausenheim.

- 01 Bienenbrunnen**
- 02 Baptismal font** of the Wormser School in the evangelical church
- 03 Roman Catholic Church** of St. Stephan

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ASSELHEIM: In earlier times Asselheim was known as the classical region for producing red wines. The earliest records of the village date back to the year 767 AD, in the codex of the Monastery of Lorch. A tour of the village will take you to its landmarks, the Winepress House, the Chapel of St. Stephan, St. Elizabeth's Church and the "Rote Turm" - the red tower. The four-star Pfalzhotel with its unusual snail farm should also not be missed. Thousands of visitors come every year to the Asselheimer Wine Festival, held on the third weekend of August, whilst many tourists visit the wine walker's tavern on the Goldberg where local wine producers offer their products on weekends and Bank Holidays from April to October. Here you also have a magnificent view of the Valley of the Rhine

- 01** Snail Farm
- 02** Historical Winepress House
- 03** Red Tower
- 04** Chapel of St. Stephan
- 05** St. Elizabeth's Church
- 06** Wine Tavern on the Goldberg

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The families Schenk and Siebert have been producing wine since 1675! Tradition is good, quality is even better! Therefore, everyone joins forces: Hildegard and Gerhard Siebert as well as their children Christoph, Annemarie and Johannes. However, clients are part of the family as well – some for more than 40 years. Our well-aging and elegant wines grow on warm and dry shell bearing limestone or skeletal soils, which give them their multitude of succulent flavours, an unobtrusive acidity and a delicate mineral touch. Our refined sparkling wines age during the fermentation in the bottle, our Seccos offer tangy drinking pleasure. Many of our wines have received national and international wine awards and may be tasted at our estate. For groups of maximal 50 persons we offer wine-tastings hosted by an expert, in German and English. Opening hours: Mon-Fri: 10-18 o'clock, Sat: 10-16 o'clock, Sundays on appointment.



HISTORISCHES MUSEUM DER PFALZ

Domplatz 4 › 67346 Speyer

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info@museum.speyer.de www.museum.speyer.de

The Historical Museum of the Palatinate at Speyer offers unique special exhibitions concerning captivating historical and cultural subjects. The permanent exhibitions cover history from prehistory to the modern era. One of the highlights of the exhibition “The Wine Museum” is a bottle of the oldest still liquid Roman grape wine.

Reservation of guided tours via the service office, phone 06232-620222. The Museum opens from Tuesday to Sunday from 10 to 18 o'clock.

Historical Museum of the Palatinate, photographer: P. Haag-Kirchner.

CHRISTMAS MARKETS (NORTH - SOUTH)

NEULEININGEN: A Christmas market in a historical village set in the grounds of an old castle. Tel.: 06359 8001820, www.neuleiningen.de

BOBENHEIM AM BERG: Bobenheimer Belzenickelmarkt, Tel. 06322 667838, www.bobenheim-am-berg.de

GRÜNSTADT: A Christmas market set outside the historical town hall, Tel. 06359 937320, www.gruenstadt.de

DEIDESHEIM: Deidesheimer Advent, Tel. 06326 96770, www.deidesheim.de

HASSLOCH: A Christmas market with 1,000 lights, Tel. 06324 935225, www.hassloch.de

NEUSTADT: Kunigundenmarkt. A traditional Christmas market together with a market of traditional specialties held in the historic courtyards of the old town, Tel. 06321 926892, www.neustadt.pfalz.com

A CHRISTMAS MARKET at the Naturfreundehaus Kohlbachtal, Tel. 06371 15768

LAMBRECHT (PFALZ): A magical Christmas market, Tel. 06325 95410, www.lambrecht-pfalz.com

NIKOLAUSFAHRT (Santa Claus journey) with the historical steam railway “Kuckucksbähnlel” Tel. 06321 926892, www.eisenbahnmuseum-neustadt.de

LANDAU: An artisan’s Christmas market, the Thomas-Nast-Nikolausmarkt set around the town square, Tel. 06341 138301, www.landau-tourismus.de



DYNAMIKUM SCIENCE CENTER PIRMASENS

Fröhnstraße 8 › 66954 Pirmasens

Telefon 06331-23943-0 Fax 06331-23943-29

info@dynamikum.de www.dynamikum.de



Participate in a cycling competition with a skeleton, go on a running competition with an elephant, become the sun itself in the planet room, make sound visible or let a ball roll uphill – that and much more awaits visitors at the Dynamikum science centre in Pirmasens. The exhibition centres on multiple scientific phenomena, all linked to the guiding theme “movement”: young and old may touch 160 exhibits, experiment, fiddle about and research, for here, touching is explicitly authorised! Moreover, captivating special events around the theme “science to feel and touch” take place regularly.

Dynamikum science centre Pirmasens/ photographer: Harald Kröher.

CASTLES AND FORTRESSES

Burg ruine Neuleiningen: "Leiningerland-Museum in the castle keep": Opening times: 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month (from March to October) and on bank holidays (with the exception of Good Friday and All Saints), 13:00 to 17:00 (and on request), admission free of charge, Tel. 06359-5532 or 82356, www.neuleiningen.de, Guided tours on request, Tel. 06359-8001820.

Burg Altleiningen: One of the finest examples of fortresses in the Palatinate. Once the domicile of the Earl of Leiningen, now a youth hostel.
Tel. 06356-1580, www.diejugendherbergen.de

Dirmstein: has two castles worth visiting, the Sturmfeder'sche Schloss in the middle of the village and the Koeth-Wanscheid'sche Schloss. Guided tours on request. Tel. 06359-8001820

Burg Battenberg: A ruined castle over-looking the village of Battenberg. Of particular interest are the so-called "lightning tubes" below the castle. These are, however, not due to strikes of lightning but due to the erosion of mineral stone in the yellow sandstone on which the castle was built. Castle tavern: open daily apart from Mo/Tue, from 16:00, Sat., Sun. and bank holidays from 12:00, Tel. 06359-961004, www.hofgutbattenberg.de

Burg ruine Hardenburg, Bad Dürkheim: One of the most impressive castles of the Palatinate, founded in 1205 by the Earls of Leiningen overlooking the village of Hardenburg. Guided tours on request. Tel. 06322-935-140. Opening times: 1st April-30th Sept. 9:00-18:00; 1st Oct.-30th Nov. and 1st Jan.-31st. March, 9:00-17:00. Closed during December and each working Monday. Tel. 06322-7530, www.bad-duerkheim.com

Klosterruine Limburg, Bad Dürkheim: The ruins of the one-time Benedictine monastery with stone burial vaults. Available for wedding ceremonies and guided tours, on application, Tel. 06322-935-140, www.bad-duerkheim.com
Klosterschänke: www.klosterschaenkelimburg.de

Burgturm Friedelsheim: A fortified tower dating back to the 15th century with a view of the three castles: Hambacher Schloss, Wachtenburg und Kloster Limburg. Well-worth seeing is the old moat and remains of the old castle built in 1462. Tel. 06322-9580801, www.wachenheim.de

Wachtenburg Wachenheim: Built in the 11th and 12th century by Emperor Conrad II, Emperor Friederich I. and Count Palatine Konrad von Hohenstaufen. Guided tours on application, Tel. 06322-9580801,
Castle Inn Tel. 06322-64656, Opening times: May-Oct.: Wed.-Fr. from 12:00, Sat. from 11:00 and Sundays from 10:00; Nov.-April: Wed.+Fr. from 12:00, Sat. from 11:00 and Sundays from 10:00, www.wachtenburg.de

Burg ruine Wolfsburg, Neustadt an der Weinstraße: First mentioned in 1255, this castle was the guardian of the valley road through the forests between Kaiserslautern and Neustadt. Opening times of the tavern "Wolfsburgschänke": April-Oct.: Sat., Sun., and bank holidays from 11:00, when the flag has been hoisted, Tel. 06321-84342, www.neustadt.eu

Hambacher Schloss, Neustadt-Hambach: Built in the 11th century and best known as the site of the "Hambacher Fest 1832", the birthplace of democracy in Germany. Magnificent viewing points. Opening times: April-Oct.: 10:00-18:00; Guided tours (approx. 45 Min.) 11:00, 13:00 and 15:00; Nov.-March 11:00-17:00, guided tours at 11:00 and 13:00, Admission 4,50 €, special rate 1,50 €. Info-Tel. 06321-926290, www.hambacherschloss.eu

Burg Spangenberg: The most striking landmark of the Valley of Elmstein, guided tours and medieval banquets available, on application; The castle tavern is open on Sundays and bank holidays 10:00-19:00, Dez.-Febr. closed.
Tel. 06325-956922, www.burg-spangenberg.de

Burg ruine Breitenstein: The ruins of a castle perched on a rock outcrop north of the River Speyerbach.

Burg ruine Erfenstein: Built towards the middle of the 13th century by the Earls of Leiningen. Legend has it that there was a bridge built out of leather connecting Erfenstein with Spangenberg on the other side of the valley.

CASTLES AND FORTRESSES

Burg Lichtenstein: Situated to the west of the town of Neidenfels on the slopes of the Lichtensteiner Kopf at an elevation of 270 metres, the castle was built at the end of the 11th century. The ruins visible today are grouped around a stone foundation on which the one-time walled tower once stood.

Burg Neidenfels: The castle was erected in 1229 by Count Palatine Rudolf II to protect the surrounding forests and the valley road as well as affording shelter during the hunt. It towers over the old terraced vineyards and offers a spectacular view over the valley.

Burg Elmstein: built in the 12th century by the Count Palatines to secure the path leading through the valley of the Speyerbach. It was plundered in 1525 by the farmers of Kleeburg and destroyed in 1688 by the French invaders. Remains of the outer wall, the palace and its protecting walls are a reminder of the glory of former times. Today, the castle is privately-owned

Schloss Villa Ludwigshöhe, Edenkoben: A neo-classical villa built in Pompeian style for Ludwig I. during the years 1846-1852 Now the site of a permanent exhibition devoted to Max Slevogt, the German impressionist. Opening times: April-Sept. 10:00-18:00, Oct.-March 10:00-17:00, Tel. 06323-93016, www.burgen-rlp.de

Burg Neuscharfeneck, Dernbach: The impressive castle and its spacious surrounding are situated at an elevation of 280 metres and look over the village of Dernbach. Freely accessible. Restaurants: Landauer Hütte and Dernbacher Haus. Annual Castle Festival in July. Tel. 06346-2200

Kaiserburg Trifels, Annweiler: A medieval castle best known for its most famous prisoner, Richard the Lionheart. Well-worth seeing is the treasure chamber with a replica of the Imperial Regalia. Medieval Castle Festival in August. Guided tours available: Tel. 06346-2200, www.trifelsland.de

Madenburg, Eschbach: The earliest records date back to 1176 as a castle built to protect the Kaiserbach Valley and its surrounding estates. With a total length of 180 metres it displays architecture from a number of epochs, Tuesdays to Sundays, guided tours on application, a small museum is also open over the weekend. Tel. 06345-3531

Burg Landeck, Klingenstein: This castle is the youngest of the three castles surrounding Klingenstein. Originally built to protect the Benedictine monastery in the town. The buckelstone style walls are typical for the 12th Century. The castle inn is open daily from 11:00. An impressive mediaeval spectacle takes place every year at the end of June. Tel. 06349-8744, www.burglandeck-pfalz.de

Burg Berwartstein, Erlenbach: Opening times for guided tours and the castle tavern: March-Oct., daily Nov.-Feb. Saturday/Sunday, Tel. 06398-210 or 1234, www.burgberwartstein.de

RECREATIONAL PARKS

GRÜNSTADT-ASSELHEIM: Edible Snail Farm “Pfalzschnecke”: Guided tours: May-Oct. (approx. 1 hour) with information concerning the vineyard snail: history, biology, reproduction, eating habits and breeding as a culinary delicacy.

Tel. 06359-80030, www.pfalzschnecke.de

WACHENHEIM: Kurpfalzpark (Easter until the end of Oct.): wildlife and nature, fun and action for the whole family in the middle of the Palatinate Forest. To be seen are deer and wild boars, demonstrations of falconry and an enormous adventure playground.

Tel. 06325-959010, www.kurpfalz-park.de

HASSLOCH: Holiday Park “Action, Fun and the Spectacular”. Exciting and comedy shows with international stars, unique fairground rides. Opening times: April to the beginning of November, Tel. 0180 5003246, www.holidaypark.de

HASSLOCH: Bird Park: to be seen are both domestic and exotic birds in a park beautifully situated on the edge of a forest. There is a restaurant with an expansive outside dining area on the terrace. Rennbahnstr. 161, Tel. 06324-929707, www.vogelpark-hassloch.de

HASSLOCH: Walderlebnispfad Am Eichelgarten: Get to know the forest the easy way at 13 info sites along a 2 kilometre forest walk. Infos available: Tel. 06324-935-225

NEUSTADT: KUCKUCKSBÄHNEL: the historical steam railway which steams its way into the Palatinate Forest from the main railway station in Neustadt to Elmstein, every fortnight on Saturdays and Sundays. Info: timetable and advance group bookings Tel. 06321-30390, www.eisenbahnmuseum-neustadt.de

LANDAU: Reptilium Terrarien- und Wüstenzoo: Germany’s largest reptile zoo, where you can see more than 700 reptiles being fed at close hand. Opening times: daily from 10:00-18:00 (with the exception of 24./25. and 31.12. and 1.1.)

Tel. 06341-51000, www.reptilium.de

LANDAU: Landauer Zoo: More than 500 exotic species grazing and playing on 10 acres of zooland. Tel. 06341-898229, www.zoo-landau.de

DIRMSTEIN: Soccerpark, Am Alten Sportplatz, Tel. 06238-982116, www.soccerpark.de, www.soccertgolf.de

BORNHEIM: Draisine tracks in the Südpfalz, Tel. 06327-961016, www.suedpfalzdraisine.de

ALTENGLAN: Draisine tracks in Kuseler Musikantenland bei Altenglan, Tel. 06381-424270, www.draisinentour.de

RÜLZHEIM: “Mhou” Ostrich Park, Europe’s leading breeding station, Tel. 07272- 93050, www.mhoufarm.de

STEINFELD: Kakteenland: More than 1.000 different cactuses planted on 2 acres of parkland. Admission free of charge, cacti- and other succulent plants on sale.

Opening times: March-Oct. Mo.-Fr. 9:00-18:00, Sa./Su. 9:00-17:00; Nov.-Feb.

Mo.-Fr. 9:00-17:00, Wengelspfad 1, Tel. 06340-1299, www.kakteenland.de

SILZ: Wild- und Wanderpark: families of fallow deer and red deer are free to roam through an unfenced parkland together with more than 400 other animals. Very popular with the children is the Petting Zoo. Opening times: 15. March-15. Nov., from 9:00; 16. Nov.-14. March from 10:00, Tel. 06346-5588, www.wildpark-silz.de

KANDEL: Kletterpark: A series of tree-top trails through the Bienwald Forest, Tel. 07275-618032, www.abenteuerpark-kandel.de

SPEYER: Kletterwald: Erster Richtweg 5, 67346 Speyer, www.kletterwald-speyer.de

MANNHEIM: Luisenpark: Tel. 0621-410050, stadtpark-mannheim.de

HETTENLEIDELHEIM: Erlebnislandschaft Erdekaut between Hettenleidelheim and Eisenberg: Guided tours every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, 14:00 from Grube Riegelstein, Tel. 06351-407440

FISCHBACH: Baumwipfelpfad Pfälzerwald/Nordvogesen: 200 yards of tree-top trails at a height of 100 feet above the ground. Tel. 06393-92100, www.biosphaerenhaus.de

SWIMMING POOLS & LEISURE PARKS

HETTENLEIDELHEIM: Schwimmbad und Burgbad Altleiningen: Swimming pools (May-Sept./daily, 8:00-19:00), Tel. 06351-124172, **Altleinger Burg**, Tel. 06356-919067, www.vg-h.de

BAD DÜRKHEIM: Salinarium: saline baths, Tel. 06322-935865, www.salinarium.de

BAD DÜRKHEIM: Almensee: a recreational lake near the camp site Campingparks Knaus, Tel. 06322-61356, www.knauscamp.de

BAD DÜRKHEIM: Kurzentrum: Hot springs, Tel. 06322-964-0, www.kurzentrum-bad-duerkheim.de

WACHENHEIM: Heated outdoor swimming pool, Tel. 06325-7525, www.wachenheim.de

DEIDESHEIM: "Oase im Paradiesgarten": An outdoor heated swimming pool uniquely situated in the middle of the vineyards. Tel. 06326-6466 (May-Sept.)

BÖHL-IGGELHEIM: Niederwiesenweiher: Sandy gravel beach, a kiosk with terraced seating, parking facilities, wc, nude bathing is tolerated. Set on the side of a lake surrounded by meadows and trees.

HASSLOCH: Badepark: Outdoor and indoor swimming pools with a water park, sauna, steam baths, solarium and lots more. Tel. 06324-5994760, www.badepark.de

NEUSTADT AN DER WEINSTRASSE: Stadionbad Moby Dick: In summer an outdoor swimming pool, in winter a covered and heated swimming pool. Tel. 06321-402530, www.neustadt.eu

NEUSTADT-HAMBACH: Outdoor swimming pool with a view of Hambacher Schloss, May-Aug. Mo.-Fr. 13:00-19:00; Sa., Su., bank and school holidays 10:00-19:00. Tel. 06321-80253

NEUSTADT-MUSSBACH: Am weißen Haus: A swimming pool particularly suited for young children (open during the summer, Mondays to Fridays 13:00-19:00; Saturdays and Sundays and during the school holidays 10:00-19:00), Tel. 06321-69766

NEUSTADT-DUTTWEILER: Family-friendly swimming pool, Am Sportplatz (open during the summer, Mondays to Fridays 13:00-19:00; Sat./Sun. and during school and bank holidays 10:00-19:00, Tel. 06327-3190

ELMSTEIN: Helmbachweiher, a natural bathing lake situated south of Elmstein in the valley of Helmbach: barbecue site, kiosk with seating area, Kneipp facilities, Parking lot, Tel. 06328-234 or 0170-6004493.

WEIDENTHAL: Natur- und Freibad, Tel. 06329-1431

SPEYER: Naherholungsgebiet Binsfeld: Six natural lakes with their own sandy beaches together with a gravel sand, sunbathing area, parking available, kiosk, surfing area, W.C. and volleyball pitch.

SPEYER: Bonnetweiher: A fine sand beach and sunbathing area, kiosk with seating facilities, W.C., complementary parking, wooded area. Admission: 2 €

SPEYER: Bademaxx: A water park with adjoining open air swimming pool (not open all the year), non-swimmer's area, 3m diving tower with separate diving area, wave pools and channels, giant water slide, outdoor area in use all seasons, parent/child area, solarium and sauna. Tel. 06232-6251500, www.bademaxx.de

GERMERSHEIM: Naherholungsgebiet: Three expansive lakes for a variety of activities such as surfing and bathing. There is also a pizzeria and a camping site. Nude bathing is permitted. Tel. 07274-9600

MAIKAMMER: A heated open-air swimming pool with extensive sunbathing area. Tel. 06321-5585, www.maikammer.de

ST. MARTIN: Landschaftsweiher: A forest lake, surrounded by a sunbathing area, swimming permitted at your own risk. A restaurant "Rasthaus an den Fichten" is situated approx. 50m from the lake. There are also 6 barbecue sites, a log cabin with room for 120 guests. Tel. 06321-589917

GUIDED CYCLE TOURS

Cycle Tours led by the **Olympic champion Stefan Steinweg** – either sporty or unhurried, for four people or more, Tel. 06326-982284, www.gepaeckservice-pfalz.de

Guided and individual cycle tours Bernd Bublitz,
Tel. 06321-9243185, www.bike-touring.de

Genussradeln Pfalz – Your regional specialist for guided cycle tours in small groups, with the emphasis on pleasure, www.genussradeln-pfalz.de

Mountainbike-Touren-Pfälzerwald Rose Schöfer, Elmstein, Tel. 06328-902124
www.mountainbike-touren-pfaelzerwald.de, www.rennrad-touren-pfalz.de

Trekking- und Mountainbike-Touren Bella Bici, Wachenheim,
Tel. 06322-9109373, www.shop-bellabici.de

SEGWAY TOURS AND RENTALS

GRÜNSTADT-ASSELHEIM: PROSEGGO, guided tours for groups on request with wine-tasting Tel. 06359-929073, www.proseggo.de

BAD DÜRKHEIM: PFALZAKTIV, guided tours for groups, Tel. 06322-620667 or 66471,
www.pfalz-aktiv.com

DEIDESHEIM: Pfalz-Safari, Tel. 06326-989024, www.pfalz-safari.de

NEUSTADT-MUSSBACH: Weingut Schäfer, guided tours with the winegrower,
Tel. 06321-6447, www.weingutschaefer.com

GOLFING

Golf-Club-Pfalz, Neustadt-Geinsheim, Tel. 06327-97420, www.gc-pfalz.de

Golfclub Deutsche Weinstraße, Dackenheim, Tel. 06353-989212, www.golfgarten.de

Golfclub Landau-Dreihof, Essingen, Tel. 06348-6150237, www.golfclub-dreihof.de

Golfclub Kurpfalz, Limburgerhof, Tel. 06236-479494, www.golfpark-kurpfalz.de

NEARBY MUSEUMS

HAUENSTEIN: Deutsches Schuhmuseum: Informations about the history of shoe-making in the Palatinate Tel. 06392-915165, www.deutsches-schuhmuseum.de.
Gläserne Schuhfabrik: Tel. 06392-9221371, www.glaeserne-schuhfabrik.de

PIRMASENS: Dynamikum: 150 interactive exhibits for the budding scientist,
Tel. 06331-842526, www.dynamikum.de

SPEYER: Historisches Museum der Pfalz Speyer: A cultural-historical collection of items from the Stone Age to the present day. Together with treasure chamber, wine museum and special exhibitions, Tel. 06232-620222, www.museum.speyer.de

SPEYER: Technik-Museum und IMAX-Dome: On 37 acres of open-air exhibition ground there are submarines, aeroplanes, locomotives and boats to be seen and visited.
Tel. 06232-67080, www.technik-museum.de

KAISERSLAUTERN: Pfalzgalerie, the most important collection of paintings in the Palatinate, Tel. 0631-3647201, www.pfalzgalerie.de

LUDWIGSHAFEN: Wilhelm-Hack-Museum: Works of art of the 20th century,
Tel. 0621-5043045, www.wilhelm-hack-museum.de

MANNHEIM: Kunsthalle: The emphasis here is on the German and French impressionists and sculptors of the 19th century, Tel. 0621-2936450, www.kunsthalle-mannheim.de

MANNHEIM: Engelhorn-Reiss-Museum: One of the most outstanding museums in Europe with regard to archeology, photography and world cultures. Tel. 0621-2933150,
www.rem-mannheim.de

EDENKOBEN: Villa Ludwigshöhe: The home of the Max-Slevogt-Gallery (on loan from the University of Mainz); in addition, alternating exhibitions of paintings and concerts in cooperation with the Stiftung Villa Musica. Tel. 06323-93016, www.max-slevogt-galerie.de

SITES FOR MOTORHOMES (NORTH - SOUTH)

WEISENHEIM AM SAND: Campsite free of charge in the Riedweg, no services or waste disposal, no power supply

BAD DÜRKHEIM „In der Silz“: Situated on the L517 direction Leistadt. Surrounded by vineyards, charges for 24 hours = 6 € per mobile home (with the exception of during the Dürkheimer Würstmarkt, then 9 €). Services and waste disposal: fresh water 1 € per 80 litres, waste water disposal free of charge, electricity 1 €/kWh. Further information available under Tel 06322-935 140, www.bad-duerkheim.com

NIEDERKIRCHEN: At the sports ground "Am Sportgelände 1", 6 camping sites, free of charge, Tel. 06326-962233

NEUSTADT AN DER WEINSTRASSE: Public camping site with room for 30 RV's next to the Martin-Luther-Kirche: Stadtzentrum, Martin-Luther-Straße: with waste disposal and fresh water facilities, charges: 2.50 € for 24 hours, incl. use of facilities.
(GPS: 49°21'14"N/8°9'9"E)

NEUSTADT-DUTTWEILER: (20 sites) On the edge of the vineyards (GPS: 49°18'5"N/8°12'43"E) at the Parkplatz am Rebenmeer. A quiet, gravelled camping site situated near the Achtzehnmorgenpfad, easy accessible from the A65, exit Neustadt-Süd. The sites, all with a fantastic view of the vineyards, the Haardt Forest and the Hambacher Schloss, are completely free of charge or restrictions. (Info-Tel. 06327-5709)

NEUSTADT-HAARDT: (2 sites) Festplatz am Mandelring beneath the pergola, near the Michael-Ende-Schule.

NEUSTADT-HAMBACH: (30 sites) Parkplatz Dammstraße-Ost, next to the swimmingpool. Waste disposal and fresh water facilities available in the Diedesfelder Weg. The site is open all the year round and is free of charge. The heated swimming pool is open from May to August. (GPS: 49°19'51"N/8°7'53"E)

MECKENHEIM: Gemeinde Meckenheim, next to the Mehrzweckhalle, Rödersheimer Straße, camping sites with power connection, free of charge, Tel. 06326-219

ELMSTEIN: Transitplatz (4 sites) Bahnhofstraße 88, open all the year round, power connections, playground and other recreational facilities nearby. Tel. 06328 234, info@elmstein.de

LAMBRECHT (PFALZ): 7 campsites (free of charge), Blainviller-Strasse 1, 67466 Lambrecht, open all year, water and electricity available (coin-operated meter), waste-disposal facility (free of charge), Boules court, play ground and restaurant adjacent to the campsite. Shopping and other restaurants nearby. An ideal starting point for walks and tours through the Mountainbikepark Pfälzerwald

Additional parking sites on farms and wine-grower' estates: Further info available from the Tourist Information Offices

HIKERS' CABINS AND CASTLE TAVERNS (NORTH – SOUTH)

LEININGERLAND

ASSELHEIM: Maintained by winegrowers and clubs from the village of Asselheim, April-October, Saturdays from 14:00, Sun./Bank holidays from 10:00, Tel. 06359-9297234, www.gruenstadt.de

HERTLINGSHAUSEN: Naturfreundehaus Rahnenhof Tel. 06356-962500, www.naturfreundehaus-rahnenhof.de

THE HOLIDAYREGION FREINSHEIM

WEISENHEIM AM BERG: PWV-Hütte am Ungeheusersee, open from the middle of March until the end of November, also Easter and Whit Weekend, May 1st and Ascension Day, Sundays 10:00-18:00, Further bookings for groups of 30 and more, Tel. 06353-2319

FREINSHEIM: Forsthaus Lindemannsruhe, Wednesday to Sunday from 11:00, Tel. 06322-9472326

Bismarckturm with viewing platform, May to Oct. Wed/Fri/Sa/Sun. and Public Holidays 10:00-18:00, Nov to April Sat, Sun. and Public Holidays, 10:00-18:00 and by arrangement. Tel. 0172-6263681 bzw. 06322-62512

BAD DÜRKHEIM

Hütte an der Weilach: Opening times: March-October Sa./Sun. 10:00-18:00, Tel. 0170-3436929

Naturfreundehaus Groß-Eppental: Großes Eppental 21, open: daily except for Tuesdays, Tel. 06322-2380, www.naturfreunde.de

Klosterschänke Limburg: open: daily from 11:00, closed Mondays and in January. Tel. 06322-9419983, www.klosterschaenkelimburg.de

Waldgaststätte Lindenklause (behind the Burgruine Hardenburg): open: Wed., Sat., Sun. and bank holidays, Tel. 06322-67777, www.lindenklause.de

Zum Schützenhaus: Am Schlamberg 9, open: daily except for Mondays Tel. 06322-2617, www.sg-bad-duerkheim.de

THE HOLIDAYREGION WACHENHEIM

Naturfreundehaus „Oppauer Haus“ Closed Mondays. Overnight accommodation: 23 beds, Tel. 06322-1288, www.oppauerhaus.de

Waldgaststätte „Forsthaus Rotsteig“ (near the Kurpfalzpark), Open during the opening times of the „Kurpfalzpark“, closed Mondays Tel. 06325-959020, www.kurpfalz-park.de

Forsthaus „Silbental“, Tel. 06325-8492, www.pension-silbental.de

Burgschänke Wachtenburg, Tel. 06322-64656, www.wachenheim.de

Waldgaststätte „Zum Schützenhaus“, im Poppental, closed Mondays and Thursdays, Tel. 06322-65498

THE HOLIDAYREGION DEIDESHEIM

Eckkopfturm: open Sat./Sun./Bank holidays, Tel. 06326-96770, www.deidesheim.de

Wallberggaststätte: open: Wed./Sat./Sun./Bank holidays 10:00-18:00, closed during August, Tel. 06326-5834

Waldschänke im Mühlthal: open: Wed./Thur./Sat./Sun./Bank holidays from 11:00, Tel. 06326-962626 or 0173-3255018

Pfzalsblick: open: Wed.-Sun. from 11:00, closed Mon./Tue. (Sept./Oct. closed Tue.), Tel. 06326-981034 or 0172-9359561190

HASSLOCH

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Altdahn-Grafendahn-Tanstein: three adjoining castles representing the largest castle complex in the Palatinate and which were built in the 11th Century. Set free-standing on steep-faced stone outcrops, they were built in the typical style of the Wasgau region with chambers, staircases and alleyways carved out of the stone outcrop. There are also the remains of the old stone curtain and frontal walls and a museum with interesting exhibits and a restaurant.



Berwartstein: Near the village of Erlenbach. An old castle dating back to the 12th Century and which is still inhabited. It is situated on the top of an impressive stone foundation with a water well 104 metres deep. The outer bailey dates back to the 15th Century. Also well maintained are the gun turret, the soldiers' rooms carved out of the stone plateau and narrow gorges. Guided tours and a restaurant are available.



Drachenfels: A ruined castle near the village of Busenberg. The castle ruins are set on two steep stone pinnacles and was once the home of the Masters of Drachenfels (1209 - 1344). The castle was destroyed in 1523 so that, today, only the stone chambers, entrance hall and the relics of a fortified tower remain.



Wegelnburg: A ruined castle near the village of Nothweiler. Situated at an elevation of 572 metres and stretched out on a stone ridge, it is the largest ruined castle in the Palatinate and where the Imperial Celebrations were held in the 12th and 13th Century. Impressive remains of stone entrances, buildings and outer walls with unique chambers carved out of stone provide the ideal background for a panoramic view of the region.



Biosphärenhaus/Baumwipfelpfad: The biosphere house in Fischbach offers fascinating insights into the world of nature and history. Along the Tree Top pathway you can view trees and forests from a height of 15-35 metres. Educational boxes and particularly fascinating features such as an eagle's nest, a tree slide, glass floors and rope bridges make this tour an exciting experience.



Erzgrube Nothweiler: With a total length of 420 metres, this miner's corridor, leading off from the St. Anna gallery, is unusual inasmuch as it was constructed manually, without the use of explosives. The remaining construction shows how the miners broke away the sandstone in order to reach the iron ore behind it.





SAUER-PECHELBRONN/ NORTHERN ALSACE

This quiet hidden valley forms a link between France and Germany, the Northern Vosges and the Southern Palatinate region. Its densely wooded landscape is strongly marked by the river Sauer. Sandy trails invite you to go on hiking tours, wild and romantic castle ruins tower proudly high up on prominent rocks. These huge woodlands still contain significant remains of pre-industrial timber industry, as for example charburner spots. The whole area is situated within a biosphere reserve, a protected zone for which its inhabitants and their guests should take responsibility. Go on a rendezvous with the Alsace and Palatinate regions on the new 33 km premium hiking trail. Eight mighty castle ruins are situated on this trail; massive rocks and wild woodlands delight nature lovers. Idyllic German and French villages invite you to linger. Let yourself be seduced by good Alsatian cuisine (Tarte flambée, jambonneau, head cheese, Baeckeoffe, sauerkraut) or fine gourmet restaurants of starred chefs. All dishes may be completed by suitable wines, for example from the nearby wine-growing region around Cleebourg.

No matter if you go by foot or on horseback, by car, by coach (Wissembourg – Castle Fleckenstein) or by bike – alone or with your family – the valley promises fun and unforgettable memories.



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Fleckenstein Castle – the Castle of Riddles: the mighty and impressive Fleckenstein Castle is situated on a rock plateau of 100 metres length at a height of 338 metres. Due to this unique position, the castle ruins offer a magnificent view over the valley of the Sauer. In 1680, the castle was destroyed by French troops. Nature, history, fun and brain activity – visitors go on an adventure tour of another kind in the castle of riddles. There are 20 riddles to be solved in the forest and in the castle.



Maginot Line: The fortification “Four à Chaux” (lime kiln) in Lembach offers a great opportunity to delve into recent history. It is part of the Maginot Line, a gigantic French line of fortifications stretching from Dunkirk in the North to Menton in the South that was built from 1929 to 1935, by the Minister of War André Maginot. The fortification “lime kiln” was named after a nearby stone quarry.



Farm house museum Kutzenhausen: “Maison Rurale de l’Outre-Forêt”, the farm house museum in Kutzenhausen is a former farm house where visitors may imagine and experience the way of life of people between 1920 and 1950. The museum’s purpose is to depict everyday life, family life and village life of the time in a realistic way. The complete farm house is open for visits, including living room, kitchen, bedroom, stable, cave, vegetable garden and orchard.



French oil museum, Merkwiller Pechelbronn: Visitors of the museum learn all about the geology of the place, about conveyor technology and the significance of oil mining. Pechelbronn is one of the oldest sites in Europe where oil was found and mined. Oil mining on a big scale started in 1627. The oil was processed into grease for vehicles, machine oil and paraffin for oil lamps.



The Battle of Woerth on 6th August 1870 is a cruel example of military conflicts in the border area between France and Germany. A museum that is installed in a medieval manor house commemorates this battle. A circular walk of 8 km length pays tribute to the fighters of all camps participating in the battle of Woerth-Froeschwiller.



Didiland/ theme park: The Didiland is situated close to Haguenau. This leisure park is very suitable for families with small children. It offers fun rides and attractions such as a flume ride, a chairplane, a caterpillar train, a pirate ship, the Viking roller coaster “Drakkar”, a sky glider and much more. Adults are permitted on most rides. At the park, a restaurant, a snack bar and a picnic area are at your disposal.





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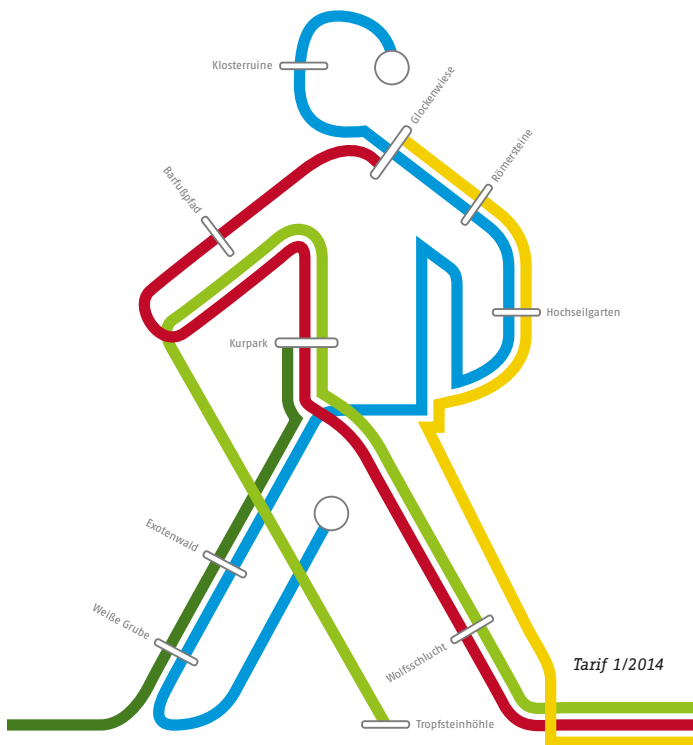
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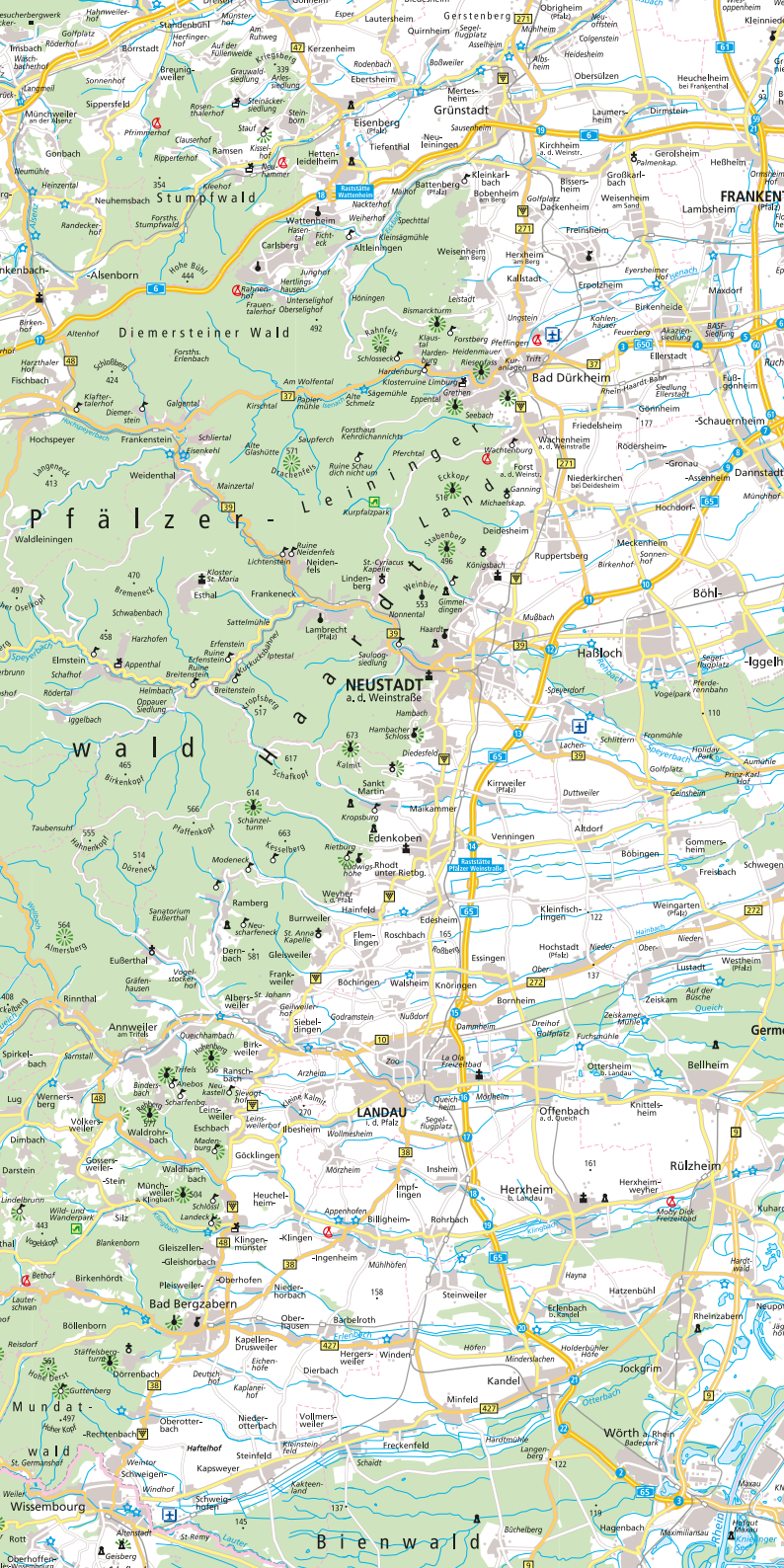


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