



WE ARE THE MUSEUMS

IN THE TIRSCHENREUTH DISTRICT

das zwöelfer

Museen im Landkreis Tirschenreuth

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There is a lot to see, marvel at and discover in our district. For twelve months of the year, we offer a versatile programme: special exhibitions, events, and action days for visitors to join in.

The Stiftland and Steinwald regions have a lot to offer and the museums in our district are worth visiting time and again. Not only in larger towns like Tirschenreuth, Waldsassen, Mitterteich, Kemnath and Erbendorf will you find various treasured museums, but also

in Bärnau, Bad Neualbenreuth, Mähring, Plößberg, Konnersreuth, Wiesau and not least the Falkenberg castle, a patchwork of the old and the new is waiting to be explored. We want to invite you on an exciting and entertaining voyage of discovery through **das zwoelfer** (derived from the German word for “zwölf” - twelve) and wish you the most pleasant stay, as well as lasting impressions and interesting encounters.

We are looking forward to meeting you!



(Partially)
barrier-free
accessibility



Museum Café



Languages



Audio Guide



Programmes
for children



Museum Shop

Our museums

at twelve eventful places
in the Tirschenreuth district

In 2020, twelve courageous municipalities joined forces and decided to henceforth collectively appear as **das zwoelfer**.



Sengerhof

BAD NEUALBENREUTH

Peasant life in the half-timbered homestead of the Egerland region

“I want people to see how we used to live back then” – with this wish Anna Schöner, the last dweller of the Sengerhof, passed the four-sided homestead in the Egerland region on to the community. After extensive restoration, her wish has now become true, and the impressive half-timbered building invites you to visit. Amongst others, the cosy living room, stable and threshing floor tell tales of a time long gone. In addition to exhibitions on the house and farm itself, there are regular events and special exhibitions on display in the Sengerhof.



The Sengerhof had been property of the Schöner family (house name: Senger) since 1733.

-  Turmstraße 5 - 7
95698 Bad Neualbenreuth
Tel. 09638 933250 (Guest information)
-  April - October:
Monday & Friday 2 pm - 4 pm
as well as after appointments made via telephone
-  Free entry!
-  www.badneualbenreuth.de



Grenzlandheimatstuben

BAD NEUALBENREUTH

Cultural heritage of the Egerland region

The exhibition displays those treasures that people managed to keep safe despite eviction: household appliances, linen, sacral items, photographs, and documents. Traditional costumes, flags and other items reveal an insight into the culture of the Egerland region.

Every year the Grenzlandheimatstuben (the local German museum on border area history) becomes a place where the expelled former inhabitants of Maiersgrün and Grafengrün come together and reminisce about the border villages which were once located beyond the Tillenbergraben area in the Czech Republic and have now both vanished.

Some of the pieces of
handcrafted embroidery
are almost 100 years old!



-  Marktplatz 10
95698 Bad Neualbenreuth
Tel. 09638 933250 (Guest information)
-  March - October: Monday - Friday 9 am - 4 pm
November - February: Monday - Friday 9 am - 1 pm
Easter - October: also Saturday 9 am - 12 pm
-  Free entry!
-  www.badneualbenreuth.de

Deutsches Knopfmuseum BÄRNAU

A small everyday object hitting it big

Did you already button or unbutton anything today? Even though we are often oblivious of it, buttons are our daily companions. That is why Bärnau is also referred to as “The Button Town”: During the 1950s and 60s, most of its inhabitants lived on what was earned in the local button industry.

The original workplaces still bear witness to the skilful handiwork. Buttons from four centuries, made of 26 different materials show the incredible variety. This is the place where a small everyday object is really hitting it big!



-  Tachauer Straße 2
95671 Bärnau
Tel. Museum: 09635 1830, only during opening hours
Tel. 09635 3450028 (Tourist information)
-  April - October: Thursday - Sunday and on bank holidays 1 pm - 5 pm as well as after appointments made via telephone
-  Adults: 4.00 €
Children: 2.50 €
Further entrance fees on website
-  www.deutsches-knopfmuseum.de
-  *Deutsches Knopfmuseum*

Geschichtspark Bärnau-Tachov

BÄRNAU

The largest archaeological open-air museum in the German-speaking area

Approximately 30 reconstructed buildings from the 9th to the 14th century await you for a stroll through the Early and High Middle Ages. During events, actors give a vivid impression of daily routines.

How did people live? What did their clothes look like and what did they eat? Why were there Slavonic settlers here and what exactly is a motte-and-bailey castle? The answer to these questions and a lot more is meant to be discovered. Here history is within your grasp – literally.



🏠 Naaber Str. 5b
95671 Bärnau
Tel. 09635 9249975

🕒 End of March - November:
Tuesday - Sunday 10 am - 6 pm (last entry 5 pm)
During out-of-season periods, visits for groups
(5 people and more) can be arranged upon request
Further opening hours on website

€ Adults: 7.00 €
Children: 4.50 €
Further entrance fees on website

🖱️ www.geschichtspark.de

📘 *Geschichtspark Bärnau-Tachov*

📷 *geschichtspark*

Heimat- und Bergbaumuseum ERBENDORF

A journey through the town history

“Glück auf! “ – the proud “Good Luck”- greeting of German miners could be heard all over Erbendorf until 1927. For around 700 years, the pitmen extracted coal and ores like lead, silver, copper, and zinc. In the mineral collection, you will get a close look at the region’s treasures like agate stones or rock crystals.

The town’s historical legacy is preserved in places like the original classroom, the old general store and the doctor’s practice. Old traditions of craftsmanship still show the aptness of the Erbendorf townspeople.



Back then in Erbendorf
one could even wash gold
in the streams!

- 🏠 Georg-Bertelshofer-Platz 1
92681 Erbendorf
Tel. 09682 921032 or 09682 921022
- 🕒 Every 2nd Sunday of the month
2 pm - 4 pm
May - September additionally Wednesday
2 pm - 4 pm
- € Free entry!
Group prices on request
- 🖱 www.heimatmuseum.erbendorf.de
- 📌 Heimat- und Bergbaumuseum Erbendorf





The Falkenberg Castle towers on so-called “Wollsackfelsen”, spheroidal rocks which are a distinctive geographical particularity of the region.



Museum Burg Falkenberg

FALKENBERG

A millennium of eventful history

During the Middle Ages the fortification remained un-captured until huge parts of it were destroyed in 1648 by Swedish troops. At the end of the 1930s, the diplomat Friedrich Werner Graf von der Schulenburg brought the castle back to life. He wanted to grow old there. However, it was not meant to be.

As co-conspirator to the plot on the 20th of July 1944, the earl was executed. In the multimedia exhibition you can find out more about his adventurous life and the castle's history.

-  Burg 1
95685 Falkenberg
Tel. 09637 9299450
-  Open tours through the castle on Sundays and bank holidays at 2 pm and 3.30 pm
Monday - Saturday upon request via telephone (10 people and more)
-  Voluntary donations are welcome
-  www.burg-falkenberg.bayern
-  *Burg Falkenberg in der Oberpfalz*
-  *burg.falkenberg*

Heimat- und Handfeuer- waffenmuseum

KEMNATH

From Stone Age to flintlock muskets

In the Fronveste, the old public prison, you will find the world's largest collection of Fortschau weapons. The first Bavarian arms factory was manufacturing weapons near Kemnath from 1689 to 1801. The second focus is set on the exhibition of prehistoric discoveries. This part of the museum points out the beginnings of human settlement more than 50 000 years ago in what is today the Kemnath region. In the Musikeum you can see and hear special musical boxes of all shapes and sizes.



-  Trautenbergstraße 36
95478 Kemnath
Tel. 09642 707717 (Tourist information)
-  Sunday 2 pm - 4 pm, additionally every first
Sunday of the month 10 am - 12 pm
as well as after arrangement via telephone
-  Admission by donation
Guided tours for 10 people and more:
2.00 €/person
-  www.hakkem.de
-  *Heimatkundlicher Arbeits- & Förderkreis
Kemnath & Umgebung e.V. - HAK*

Gelebtes Museum MÄHRING

The name speaks for itself

Life in the town of Mähring is shaped by its proximity to the Czech border. At a place where for hundreds of years an exchange with neighbours was normal, World War II resulted in the Iron Curtain. Only after it came down, did Mähring once again move closer to the heart of Europe.

The Gelebtes Museum (Living Museum) Mähring tells a tale of friendship, separation, and rapprochement in the border zone. The vanished village of Lohhäuser stands for the fate of many other places like it.

On a guided tour you
will also explore the
remains of the village
Lohhäuser close to the
Czech border!



-  Rathausstraße 98
95695 Mähring
Tel. 09639 914010
-  After arrangement via telephone
-  Free entry!
-  www.maehring.de



Museum – Porzellan | Glas | Handwerk MITTERTEICH

Industrial history inviting you to join in

Porcelain and glass – two fascinating raw materials which are applied on numerous occasions in everyday life as well as in manufacturing and art. The museum located in the former porcelain factory, the Porzellanfabrik Mitterteich AG, illustrates on site how the people back then used to work.

Items like work benches, set forms and semi-finished products each tell their own story through the narration of staff members. Traditional crafts such as woodcarving of nativity scenes, the brewing of the so-called “Zoigl” beer, shoemaking and weaving will allow you to dive into more than 800 years of Mitterteich’s town history.



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Porzellan | Glas | Handwerk

MITTERTEICH



-  Tirschenreuther Straße 10
95666 Mitterteich
Tel. 09633 918778
-  Tuesday - Friday 9 am - 5 pm
Saturday 9 am - 12 pm
Sunday 2 pm - 5 pm
-  Adults: 2.50 €
Children: 1.00 €
Further entrance fees on website
-  www.museum.mitterteich.de

Museen im Rathaus

PLÖSSBERG

Glass and crib – the perfect match

Furnace construction, glass and the art of nativity scenes are all closely linked to one another in Plößberg. Go and get to the bottom of these close ties! Experience the fascination of more than 200 years of house nativity scenes in the Christmas crib museum.

In the museum's department on glass melting furnaces, the long tradition of the Plößberg furnace builders is displayed. The Plößberg glass furnace builders and their knowhow were in demand all over the world. This is what the third museal area is all about with its variety of products from the Plößberg glass furnaces for you to see.



Jahnstraße 1
95703 Plößberg
Tel. 09636 921145



After arrangement via telephone



Free entry!



www.ploessberg.de








MuseumsQuartier TIRSCHENREUTH

Fish, town history and more

“If only fish could talk” – here is your chance to listen to them! In addition to the approximately 1,000-year-old pond fishing business, you will learn a great deal about town history, porcelain, as well as Christmas cribs, religious ikons, and the expellees from Plan-Weseritz.

Another separate section is dedicated to Johann Andreas Schmeller, author of the first “Bavarian Dictionary”. In the “House at the Pond” with its large aquariums you can meet up close with some of the living representatives of the Upper Palatinate (Oberpfalz) fish species.



-  Regensburger Straße 6
95643 Tirschenreuth
Tel. 09631 6122
-  Tuesday - Sunday as well as on bank holidays
11 am - 5 pm
Closed on 24th, 25th and 31st of December
-  Adults: 4.00 €
Free entry under the age of 18!
Further entrance fees on website
-  www.museumsquartier-tirschenreuth.de
-  Stadt Tirschenreuth
(Facebook page of Tirschenreuth)

Stiftlandmuseum WALDSASSEN

Unique testimonials from the area

A museum as multifaceted as the Stiftland region itself! As you travel to the past you will find yourself in the traditional general store (Kramersladen), the old village school or at the barber surgeon's place, or the "Boder" as it was called back then in the area's dialect. The historical workshops, fine porcelain and refined glass all tell their stories of the region's industry and craftsmanship.

As it is located in close proximity to the origins of the Stiftland region – namely the monastery Waldsassen – in this museum, you will find out how this stretch of land became what it is today.

-  Museumsstraße 1
95652 Waldsassen
Tel. 09632 88160 (Tourist information)
-  Easter - 6th of January
Please inform yourself about current opening hours!
-  Adults: 3.00 €
Children: 1.50 €
During museum season, tours for 10 people and more are possible after arrangement
-  www.waldsassen.de

The Stiftland Museum is home to the largest collection of historical workshops and handicraft tools in the Upper Palatinate (Oberpfalz)!

Dokumentationszentrum Flucht und Vertreibung ERBENDORF

How could it come to this in the first place? – How did we manage to reconcile after it had happened? The former “Nagelschmiedhaus” (German for “the house of the nailer”) will soon be a place where light is shed on the timespan from the 1920s until after the end of World War II in our region. The focus is mainly on flight and expulsion out of former German territories and the integration of the displaced here in their new homes. The personal stories of these people will be at the centre of the exhibition.

🏠 Bräugasse 18 | 92681 Erbendorf
Tel. 09682 921034

🖱️ All updates on www.daszwoelfer.de/en

Theres Neumann Museum KONNERSREUTH

Under the grand headline “Paths to Konnersreuth” the life of Theres Neumann is viewed from different angles. Who was this woman and what made her so special? Because of her stigmata, the woman better known as “Resl of Konnersreuth” (Resl von Konnersreuth) and her hometown experienced quite a media hype from 1926 on. Supporters and opponents alike have their say concerning the occurrences. Since 2005, the outcome of the beatification process is eagerly awaited.

🏠 Hauptstraße 17 | 95692 Konnersreuth
Tel. 09632 92110

🖱️ All updates on www.daszwoelfer.de/en

Opening
planned
for 2022!



Kulturbahnhof WIESAU

In the future, the topics of travelling, culinary pleasure and culture will be the centre of attention in and around the Wiesau train station. After extensive reconstruction measures, photographs and personal keepsakes remind of the once border camp which became a temporary home to hundreds of thousands of displaced people. Consistent with the subject “train and track”, the significance of the narrow-gauge railway for the local economy is highlighted. A real narrow-gauge railway invites you and your family to join it for a ride.



Bahnhofplatz 4 | 95676 Wiesau
Tel. 09634 92000



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