SAALBURG

RÖMerkastell Saalburg – Archaeological Park

There are any number of Roman finds, but only one reconstruction of a Roman castellum - in Hessen's Hochtaunus. Fascinating excavation finds and replicas in the Saalburg Roman Castellum lead you on an exciting journey into the world of the ancient Romans.

Built in the 2nd century A.D., it served for 150 years as a base for border guards. The cohort which protected the border of the Roman Empire on foot or on horseback numbered 600 men. After their withdrawal the site fell into ruin, its reconstruction was initiated by none other than Kaiser Wilhelm II. During events at the Saalburg, modern “Romans” demonstrate their equipment, weapons and tools in action. Eating culture and hygiene are as vividly presented as religion and medicine. The advanced culture of the Romans has exercised an enormous influence up to our own times, as is clearly brought out by a tour of the Saalburg Roman castellum, which forms part of the UNESCO World Heritage.

More information at www.saalburgmuseum.de

WIESBADEN

Museum Wiesbaden

The Wiesbaden Museum, Hessen’s State Museum of Art and Nature, unites in its collection highlights of art and natural history. Start out on a journey of discovery to masterpieces of art and nature, from “A” to “Z”, from Andy Warhol to zebra.

Fully in the spirit of its most famous initiator, Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, this imposing building in the centre of Hessen’s capital unites departments of many different kinds. The collection of paintings is devoted mainly to the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, including masterpieces of Alexej von Jawlensky (1864-1941), whose substantial oeuvre has gained worldwide renown. Other main focuses are on Expressionism and post-war art. The natural history collection is especially fascinating for its unusually lively presentation. With its exhibition on colours of the natural world it creates an effective link-up with art.

More information at www.museum-wiesbaden.de

EXPERIENCE THE GREAT VARIETY OF HESSEN’S CULTURAL LANDSCAPE.

Hessen is a region with many important cultural treasures, of which the State Museums, castles and gardens - about 50 altogether - form a major part. They have been presented under the uniform umbrella brand “Kultur in Hessen” since 2017 in this way Hessen’s State Ministry of Higher Education, Research and the Arts draws attention to the great importance of Hessen in Germany’s cultural landscape. Follow our invitation to an exciting journey of discovery across time and borders. Come and rediscover Hessen! More information at www.kultur-in-hessen.de
The Administration of State Castles and Gardens takes care of a large number of monasteries, castles, palaces, parks and gardens in Hessen. Some of these places, such as Lorsch Abbey (which goes back to the time of Charlemagne), have already received the UNESCO seal of approval. Other historic sites are located in acknowledged world heritage landscapes and field monuments, such as the Niederwald Monument in the Middle Rhine Valley. Not only Romans and Celts have left their mark, but also monks and landgraves, kings and emperors. Palaces await the visitor with splendid rooms and idyllic gardens, castles offer views of the landscape, monasteries bear witness to the power of faith, and spacious parks give opportunities for enjoyable strolls.

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The museum building sits like a stranded UFO just above the reconstructed burial mound. With its large panoramic window and terrace, it offers a glorious view of this picturesque cultural site. Inside, a modern, interactive exhibition ranges from the 2500-year-old “Celtic Prince” to invaluable vessels and magnificent ornaments. The Celts left no written records but as the Celtic World of the Glauberg proves, they were craftsmen and artists of extraordinary talent. Numerous exhibits immerse visitors in their culture while all around the adventurous science that is contemporary archaeology brings the past magically to life.

More information at www.keltenwelt-glauberg.de

The presentation, which was completely renewed in 2014, opens the eyes for many different chapters of geological and human history, ranging from the origins of the Earth and living organisms to ancient history and the modern world. Other special features include the armoury with its decorative weapons, splendid treasure chambers and the picture gallery. For the twentieth century, the Art Nouveau department provides an enchanting selection of finely delineated ornamentation. In marked contrast is post-war art, including the world-famous “Block Beuys” of Joseph Beuys.

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