

Trip to Regensburg
November 18th, 2017

Thank you for choosing to join our fantastic trip to Regensburg!

Hopefully the information below will help you out!

Meeting point and meeting time:

To Regensburg:

Hauptbahnhof München, Gleis 26

8: 30 Uhr

Return to Munich:

Hauptbahnhof Regensburg, Gleis 4

17:15 Uhr

Please be punctual!

The train will not wait for you. If you miss it, you will have to find your own way back to Munich and we cannot refund costs!

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Call this number anytime on the excursion should there be a problem. If you will be late please call in advance.

We wish you a great time in Regensburg!

Information

Dom St. Peter

- among Bavaria's grandest Gothic cathedrals
- Construction dates from late 1300, but the distinctive filigree spires weren't added until the 19th century
- the extravagant western facade from this period is festooned with sculptures
- Inside are kaleidoscopic stained-glass windows above the choir and in the south transept
- Another highlight is a pair of charming sculptures (1280), attached to pillars just west of the altar, which features the Angel Gabriel beaming at the Virgin on the opposite pillar as he delivers the news that she's with child

Porta Praetoria

- the arched gate is the most impressive reminder of Regensburg's Roman heritage
- was built in AD 179 by Emperor Marcus Aurelius as part of the Castra Regina fortress
- To see more remains of the Roman wall, stroll along *Unter den Schwibbögen*

Steinerne Brücke

- A veritable miracle of engineering in its time, the bridge was built between 1135 and 1146.
- For centuries the only solid crossing along the entire Danube.
- Legend: the bridge's crafty builder promised the devil the first soul to cross the bridge if he let him beat the cathedral-builder who had bet on completing his church first. The bridge-builder won and hoodwinked Satan too, for the first to cross the bridge were a dog, a cat and a chicken

Altes Rathaus

- The seat of the *Reichstag* (parliament) from 1663 to 1803
- now home to Regensburg's three mayors, the tourist office and the *Reichstagsmuseum*
- richly decorated *Reichssaal* (Imperial Hall) where the delegates convened
- stomach-turning torture chamber in the basement, dungeon and interrogation room

Schloss Thun und Taxis

- In 1500, Franz von Taxis (1459-1517) set up the first European postal system, which remained a monopoly until 1900
- His family was given a new palace, the former Benedictine monastery St Emmeram, henceforth known as *Schloss Thurn und Taxis*
- among the most modern palaces in Europe (luxuries like flushing toilets, central heating and electricity)

Basilika St Emmeram

- a masterpiece built by the Asam brothers
- here are two giant ceiling frescoes and, sheltered in its crypt, the remains of Sts Emmeram, Wolfgang and Ramwold, all Regensburg bishops in the early days of Christianity

Schottenkirche St. Jakob

- the 12th-century main portal is considered one of the supreme examples of Romanesque architecture in Germany
- Its reliefs and sculptures form an iconography that continues to baffle the experts.



