

VISITOR INFORMATION

HOURS	01/01 – 12/31
HOHENBADEN OLD CASTLE	Open to the public during daylight hours
FIDELITAS RESTAURANT	Tue – Sat 5:30 PM – 10:00 PM; Sun and holidays 11:30 AM – 10:00 PM Closed Mondays
BEER GARDEN	<i>Weather permitting</i> Tue – Sat 12:00 PM until sunset; Sun and holidays 10:00 AM until sunset; Closed Mondays

For more information on current Fidelitas restaurant and beer garden hours, please visit www.fidelitas-baden.de; Reservations can be made by request for large groups even on days when the restaurant is typically closed

TOURS	01/01 – 12/31
HOHENBADEN OLD CASTLE	Special tours as per program, also possible anytime via prior arrangement with the Heidelberg Service Center, Phone +49(0)62 21.6 58 88 15

ADMISSION	01/01 – 12/31
HOHENBADEN OLD CASTLE	Free admission

Visit our website for more information on disability access, discounts, special tours and other important details regarding your visit.

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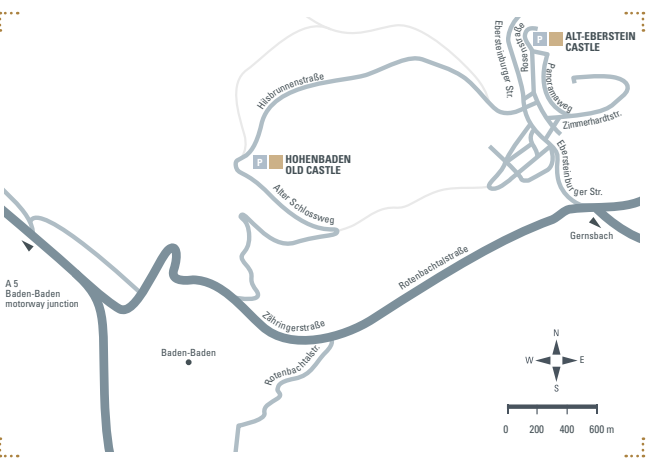
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www.fidelitas-baden.de

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HOW TO FIND US



GETTING THERE

The castle is located north of the town of Baden-Baden near the district of Ebersteinburg; signs are posted in Baden-Baden. Parking is available directly below the ruins.

INFORMATION ABOUT ALL OF OUR MONUMENTS
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SPECTACULAR ANCESTRAL SEAT OF THE MARGRAVES OF BADEN

HOHENBADEN
OLD CASTLE



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The awe-inspiring ruins of Old Hohenbaden Castle allow visitors to experience one of the largest castle residences of the 14th century while also enjoying breathtaking views of the Rhine Valley and the Vosges.

Majestically surrounded by dense forests, one of the oldest properties of the Margraves of Baden sits high above Baden-Baden: Old Hohenbaden Castle. Its history reaches all the way back to the 12th century.

HOME OF THE MARGRAVES OF BADEN

To this day, the massive walls of the ruins are a striking testimony to the significance of the margravine dynasty of Baden. After the older portion of the castle complex, the Oberburg, or upper castle, was initially built by Hermann II of Baden (from 1074–1130) and his sons, *the colossal Bernhardsbau* was erected in the 14th century. The Bernhardsbau was the center of the Gothic Unterburg, the lower castle.



🏰 *The Old Hohenbaden Castle is surrounded by dense forest and is perched high above the city of Baden-Baden*

THE POWERFUL BERNHARDSBAU

The building was named after the lower castle's builder, Bernhard I (1372–1431). The structure was one of the *largest residential buildings within a castle during that era*. Its monumental nature becomes apparent when you take a look at what lies inside the massive walls. Over multiple floors, the Bernhardsbau housed living spaces, wine presses, cold storage rooms, and a knights' hall that was heated by multiple chimneys. When the wind blows, you can hear the sounds of the *aeolian wind harp*, which, at 4.10 meters, is the largest in Europe according to its builder.

🏰 *The wind harp in the Bernhardsbau is one of the highlights of the Old Castle*

🏰 *The castle offers wonderful views of Baden-Baden all the way to the Vosges*



🏰 *The Bernhardsbau was one of the largest residences of its time*

FROM POLITICAL INSIGNIFICANCE TO TOURIST DESTINATION

Even though the Jakobsbau was added to the Old Castle in the middle of the 15th century, the margraves moved their residence to the newer palace, located further down in the valley, in 1479. After a fire at the end of the 16th century, the castle fell into ruin. It was only in the early 19th century, when spa tourism came into fashion, that the ruins once again captivated both residents and guests of the world-famous spa city, Baden-Baden. Since then, the impressive masonry, the monumental rooms and the spectacular view from the round tower make the ruins a wonderful destination. Furthermore, countless platforms and staircases allow visitors to view the surrounding countryside from ever-changing perspectives. A walk through the *nature reserve on the Battert* is the perfect way to round out your visit. A visit to Old Hohenbaden Castle is the perfect combination of architecture, a wonderful outdoor excursion, and centuries of history.