VISITOR INFORMATION

HOURS	03/15 – 10/31	11/01 – 03/14
CASTLE	Mon – Sun 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Sat, Sun and holidays 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM
	Last admission 30 minutes before closing; Closed in icy/snowy weather, during thunderstorms or weather warnings	

TOURS	03/15 – 10/31	11/01 – 03/14
CASTLE	Tours only with prior arrangement; tour in German; also available in English and French	

ADMISSION	03/15 - 10/31	11/01 – 03/14
CASTLE Adults	€ 3.00	€ 3.00
Discounted	€ 3.00 € 2.50	€ 3.00 € 2.50
Children Groups of 20 or more	€ 1.50 € 2.50 (per person)	€ 1.50 € 2.50 (per person)

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

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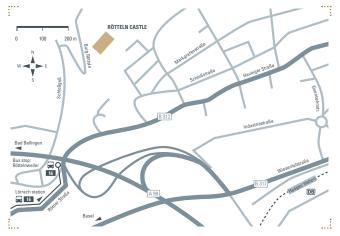
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AN IMPRESSIVE STRONGHOLD IN THE FAR SOUTHWEST

RÖTTELN CASTLE







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Rötteln Castle (Burg Rötteln) is located in the southwestern corner of Baden-Württemberg. It is the third-largest castle ruin in Baden, and one of the region's most impressive Medieval fortresses.

Rötteln Castle occupies a commanding position on a forested ridge at the edge of the Wiesen valley. In times past, its location overlooking the Rhine River was of military significance: It is *the house of Baden's southernmost stronghold* in the Upper Rhine Valley.

A CENTER OF CULTURAL EXCHANGE IN THE MIDDLE AGES

Founded in the 12th century, the castle was the family seat of the house of Rötteln. This influential clan owned a considerable amount of property in the nearby city of Basel. In 1311, the castle was inherited by the noble Hachberg-Sausenberg family, relations of the house of Baden. This marked the high point in the castle's history: with a territory stretching from the High Rhine, in what





is now Switzerland, to southern France, and good relations with the regions beyond. Rötteln Castle acted as *a hub of cultural exchange* between present-day southwestern Germany and the French-speaking regions to the west.

Top: A steep path leads up to the castle gateway

Left: A rare sight: Twin keeps give the castle its distinctive appearance

AN IMPRESSIVE AND UNMISTAKABLE CASTLE

The fortress was expanded to its current size under the ownership of the Hachberg family. Stretching from northwest to southwest, the *complex* spans 300 meters. It is divided into an upper ward and a lower ward. A small defensive tower, like a bastion, protrudes to the west. A drawbridge takes you from the lower ward to the upper ward, the oldest part of the castle. The two tall keeps give the castle its distinct appearance, instantly recognizable even from a distance.

In 1503, the house of Baden took possession of Rötteln. In 1678, it was damaged by French troops. Since the 19th century, the ruins have been appreciated anew for their historic feel and picturesque setting. Today, the site is one of the most popular tourist attractions in the Upper Rhine Valley. The Green Tower in the upper ward offers a wonderful 360° view of the town of Lörrach, the Wiesen valley and beyond, to the snow-capped peaks of the Swiss Alps.

