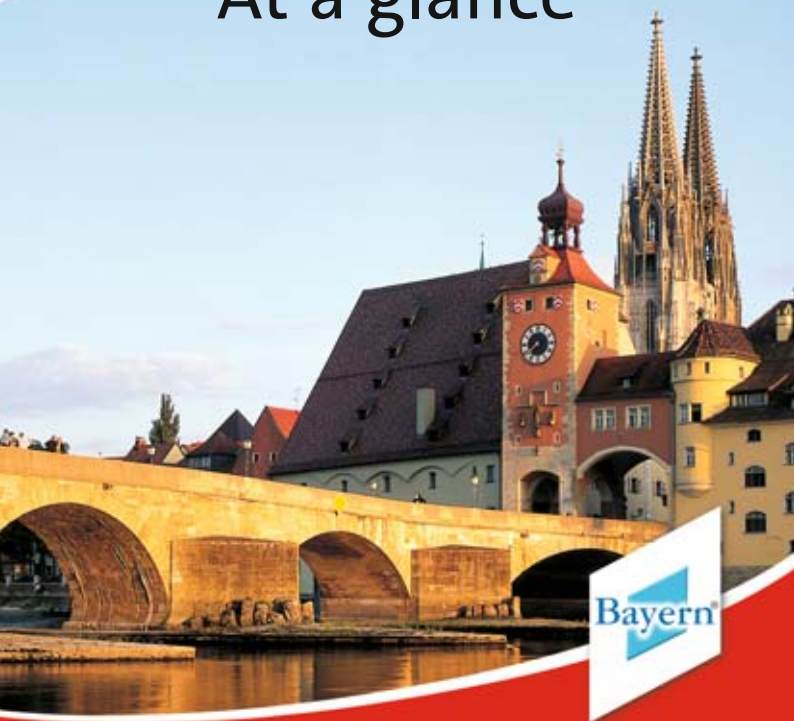




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At a glance



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Moments of Happiness

Writers, politicians, some of the greatest figures in world history have made surprising assertions about Regensburg. And they have been proved right. Famous men and women have instantly fallen in love with the city, have been captivated by friendly people, attractive views, fascinating buildings and the incomparable charm of Regensburg's streets and squares. Take a deep breath now and preserve these moments of happiness.

Sights to remember

Come with us and enjoy sights that you will never forget. In some squares you can safely close your eyes and enjoy the atmosphere as you stand beside a dear companion. Feel the city at the northernmost point of the Danube through every pore. It's a perfect place to explore on foot.

A Wonder of the World: **The Stone Bridge**. The people of Regensburg were obviously brilliant bridge-builders way back in the 12th century. The "Bruckmandl" however, the little statue on the bridge, didn't take up his breezy position there till the middle of the 16th century. At the far end of the bridge, you will find a peaceful idyll in Stadtamhof's maze of streets and alleys.





Practically unharmed in the Second World War, Regensburg is today regarded as Germany's only surviving mediaeval city. In 2006, the 'Old Town of Regensburg with Stadtamhof' was added to the **UNESCO World Heritage** List in recognition of its former political importance, its role as a mediaeval trading centre, and the outstanding quality of its urban architecture and structure.

Open and enthusiastic

After walking just a short way and allowing Regensburg's magic to work upon you, you will sense that Regensburg would like to tell you a story. You should accept this offer since there aren't many cities that are open and enthusiastic enough to share the full range of their experience with their guests. And the lovely city of Regensburg can expect to have many more experiences in the future.



A legendary boat trip

Regensburg is famous for boat trips through the narrow arches of the Stone Bridge. Nowadays, the **Strudel**, the racing current there with its eddies and whirlpools, looks quite harmless from the deck of a large passenger boat. Yet the tales about this stretch of the Danube are as scary today as they ever were.

It was from here that Regensburg made history. The Holy Roman Emperors frequently summoned princes, bishops and ambassadors to the **Old Town Hall** to discuss affairs of state at imperial assemblies, and above all at the Perpetual Imperial Diet. The Imperial Diet Chamber still contains the same furniture, including the benches that gave rise to an often-used German expression "to put something on the long bench", i.e. to postpone it indefinitely.

Regensburg is a city steeped in history. Since the 18th century, the fortunes of the House of **Thurn and Taxis** have been closely connected with those of Regensburg.



The “**Cathedral Sparrows**”, the cathedral boys’ choir, are always associated with Regensburg, just as much as the Cathedral and the Stone Bridge. Hearing them sing at High Mass in the Cathedral on a Sunday morning is an unforgettable experience.



Coming into the city centre from the river, you can see Germany's most ancient stone building, the **Porta Praetoria**, a gateway dating from 179 A.D. Giant blocks of stone were used to construct this gate in the northern wall of the Roman military camp. It survives as a reminder of *Castra Regina*, the Roman settlement.



City of Towers, City of Dreams. Believe it or not, there are 1200 historic buildings clustered together in the centre of Regensburg. Particularly characteristic are the mansions built by rich patrician families who traded with cities as far away as Kiev in the east and Venice in the south. They proudly displayed their wealth to all by building great houses with towers rising high into the sky.



The ambassadors' street, **Gesandtenstraße**, leads right into the centre of the city. Even today, it provides a reminder of the **Baroque splendour** which the ambassadors to the **Perpetual Imperial Diet** brought to the city.

Archaeologists and art historians have not yet managed to interpret the mystic sculptures and carvings on the facade of St Jacob's, the church near Jakobstor that was founded by Iro-Scottish monks.



Some people call it Regensburg's parlour, and **Haidplatz**, with its unusual triangular shape, is indeed one of Southern Germany's most impressive squares. Sitting enjoying a coffee here gives you a 'dolce vita' feeling even though you are still north of the Alps.



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People here set great store by quality and originality. A real **mecca for individualists** are the tiny shops selling traditional handmade wares. Custom-made goods are quite usual here, so how about buying a hat made by “Hut-König” opposite the Cathedral or some Regensburg soap from Miller’s in Neupfarrplatz?



When you need to decide which pub or restaurant to patronise, you will realise that Regensburg remains full of life till late in the evening, as the locals chat, flirt and laugh together.

Immerse yourself in the relaxed, gossipy atmosphere of **Regensburg’s beer-gardens**, ideally one of those offering a panoramic view of the city skyline.



Sausages have been grilled over an open fire here by the Danube for hundreds of years. Some people even claim that you haven’t been to Regensburg if you haven’t been to the **Historische Wurstküche**, the ancient sausage kitchen. All you need to say on entering is ‘six with sauerkraut’. Don’t miss this!





Looking at the stars is one of Regensburg's specialities and eating good food is another. "David", "Roter Hahn", "Rosenpalais" Regensburg's restaurants have enchanting names. If you want to meet some of Regensburg's citizens after their working day is over, you just have to step into one particularly quaint pub. The local nickname for this pub right next to Kneiting's Brewery is "Knei".

The chandelier in the recently refurbished **theatre** sparkles almost as brightly as the stars and starlets on the stage. In Bismarckplatz, the original classical-style theatre invites audiences to sample its attractive and ambitious productions, as do Regensburg Theatre's two other auditoria, the **Velodrome** and the **studio theatre** in Thon-Dittmer-Palais in Haidplatz.



Regensburg's museums and art galleries are both meeting places and a setting for cultural events. In the **East German Gallery and Art Forum**, you will encounter Käthe Kollwitz, Lionel Feininger, Lovis Corinth, as well as contemporary artists who are writing tomorrow's art history. "Blue Day" is the title of this painting by Max Pechstein.

During the internationally renowned **Tage Alter Musik**, concerts in historic surroundings feature works composed between the Middle Ages and the Romantic period. Regensburg's **Jazz Weekend** is also legendary. For nearly 27 years now, it has drawn jazz enthusiasts to the Danube from all over Europe. With almost 50,000 visitors, it breaks records for events of this kind.



"Usually you cannot see any sort of world behind a thousand pictures in the cinema or on television; your eyes will, however, be opened in Regensburg every November." That is what a Munich newspaper wrote about **Regensburg's** week-long **festival of short films**.

Regensburg's festival of contemporary dance causes quite a stir in the media. Companies from all over the world show international dance productions at the "**Alte Mälzerei**", a cultural centre in a former malthouse.

"Document Neupfarrplatz" offers, in the most literal sense of the word, an insight into the city's two-thousand year history. Descend the steep flight of steps through earlier layers of history, from Antiquity to the founding of a resistance group against Hitler in 1942/43.





Discover the lively variety of architectural styles that exist side by side in Regensburg. Romanesque meets Baroque or neo-Classical. Looking behind the facades of churches and private houses, you will find yourself face to face with the treasures of past centuries. The golden splendour of the church in Kornmarkt known as the **Alte Kapelle** will almost dazzle you.



Take a boat trip to the **Walhalla** and enjoy the regal view across the Danube Plain towards the mountains in the Bavarian Forest.

Waiting for Santa. Anyone who has been Regensburg's **Christmas Market** would love to carry it off to their own city. But it belongs in Regensburg!



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St Peter's Cathedral is indisputably the city's spiritual centre. When you look up towards the spires of this imposing Gothic building, you will see kings on horseback, foolish virgins, and gargoyles with animal and human faces. Discover St Peter's from your own personal perspective, too — you may be lucky enough to find Regensburg's citizens celebrating their cathedral by enveloping it in a cloud of lights and music.



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Tourist Information / Tourist Information		B2	●				
RVW/ÖPNV / Head office for local public transport		D4	●				
Städtische Bücherei / City Public Library		B2	●	●			
city tour, Stadtrundfahrten / city tour		C3					●
Anlegestelle Strudel-/Walhallaschiffahrt / departure point Boat trips to the Strudel and Walhalla		C2	○		●		
Schiffsanlegestelle Flusskreuzfahrten / mooring point Danube cruise ships		D2					
Hauptbahnhof / main railway station		C4	●	●	●	●	
Neues Rathaus / New Town Hall – Fundbüro / lost property +49 941 507-1196		D3	●		●		
Öffentliche Toiletten / public toilets							
Öffentliche Toiletten, behindertengerecht / public toilets with disabled access				●			
Spielplatz / playground							
Parkhaus, Tiefgarage, Garage / multi-storey car park, underground parking, covered parking							
Arnulfplatz (B2), Castra Regina Center (D4), Bischofshof (C2), E.ON Bayern (A3)							
Am Theater (B3), Dachauplatz (D3), Petersweg (C3), Regensburg Arcaden (C4), Posthof (southern D4)						●	
Parkplätze PKW / open-air parking: Am Protzenweiher* (B1)							
Am Donaumarkt (D2), Dultplatz* (B1), P+R West (west of A3), Unterer Wöhrd* (E2), Wöhrdstraße (D2)						●	
Besucherbusse / tourist buses: Parkplatz Bäcker-gasse* (D1)							
Busterminal Stadthof, Bushaltestelle (C1)							

Park & Ride: „Unterer Wöhrd“, E.ON Bayern Parkhaus und P+R Parkplatz West

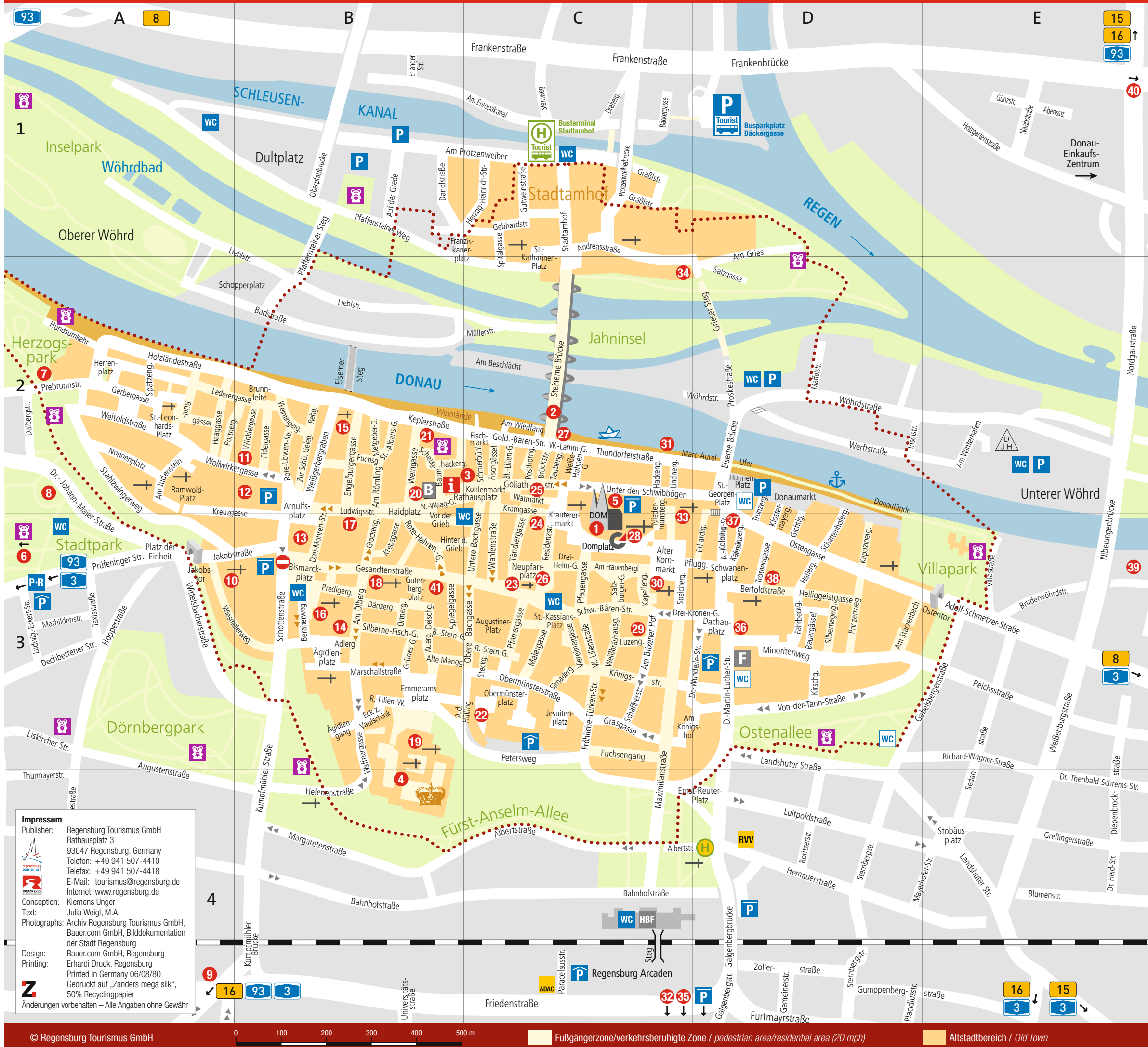
Sehenswürdigkeiten, Kirchen, Museen und Veranstaltungsorte / Sights, Churches, Museums and venues							
1 Dom St. Peter, Domschatzmuseum / St. Peter's Cathedral, Cathedral Treasury Museum	C3	○					
2 Steinerne Brücke / The Stone Bridge	C2	●					
3 Altes Rathaus / Old Town Hall	B/C2						
3 Reichstagsmuseum im Alten Rathaus / Imperial Diet Museum (Old Town Hall)	B/C2						
4 Fürstliches Schloss Thurn & Taxis / Thurn und Taxis Palace	B3						
4 Fürst von Thurn & Taxis Schlossmuseum / Prince of Thurn und Taxis Palace Museum	B4						
Thurn & Taxis-Museum / Thurn und Taxis Museum	B4	●					
5 Porta Praetoria	C2	●					
6 Figurentheater im Stadtpark / Puppet Theatre	A3			●			
7 Naturkundemuseum Ostbayern / East Bavarian Natural History Museum	A2	●	○				
8 Kunstforum Ostdeutsche Galerie / East German Art Gallery and Art Forum	A2	●	●	●	●	●	
9 Regensburger Bauerntheater / Folk Theatre	southern A4						
10 Schottenkirche St. Jakob / St Jacob's (Scots') Church	A/B3						
11 Statt-Theater	B2						
12 Theater im Velodrom	B2	●	●				
13 Theater am Bismarckplatz	B3	●	●			●	
14 Volkssternwarte / Observatory	B3					●	
15 St. Oswald / St. Oswald's Church	B2						
16 Dominikanerkirche / Dominican Church	B3	○					
17 Uhrenmuseum / Clock Museum	B3	○					
18 Dreieinigkeitskirche / Holy Trinity Church	B3						
19 St. Emmeram / St. Emmeram's Church	B3						
20 Thon-Dittmer-Palais	B2	●	●				
20 Theater am Haidplatz	B2	●	●				
21 Kepler-Gedächtnis-haus / Kepler Memorial Centre	B2						
22 Diözesanmuseum Obermünster / Obermünster Diocesan Museum	C3	●					
23 Kunstwerk Dani Karavan / Work of Art by Dani Karavan	C3						
23 Neupfarrkirche / New Parish Church	C3						
24 Golfmuseum / Golfing Museum	C3						
25 Turmtheater im Goliathhaus	C2	○	●				
26 document Neupfarrplatz / archaeological excavations	C3						
27 Salzstadel	C2	●	●				
27 Brückturm-Museum / Bridge Tower Museum (Stone Bridge)	C2						
28 Diözesanmuseum St. Ulrich / St. Ulrich's Diocesan Museum	C3				●		
29 Jüdisches Kulturzentrum / Jewish Cultural Centre	C3	○					
30 Alte Kapelle / Old Chapel	C3	●		●		●	
31 Donau-Schiffahrts-Museum / Danube Navigation Museum	C2						
32 Audimax (Universität) / Audimax (University Concert Hall)	southern C4	●	●	●			
33 Niedermünsterkirche / Niedermünster Church	C2/3				●		
34 Andreas-Stadel, Künstlerhaus / Andreas Centre, Arts Centre	C2	●	○				
35 Alte Mälzerei	southern C4	●	●	●			
36 Historisches Museum/Minoritenkirche / Museum of History and Minorite Church	D3	●	●				
37 Kolpinghaus	D3	●	●			●	
38 Städtische Galerie „Leerer Beutel“ / “Leerer Beutel” Municipal Gallery	D3	●	●	●			
39 Kulturspeicher	E3	●	●	●			
40 DonauArena	eastern E1	●	●	●			
41 document Schnupftabakfabrik / Snuff Factory Museum	B3	○					

The most important sights: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Venues: 6, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 20, 25, 27, 29, 32, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39, 40

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Regensburg's citizens have always been particularly good at building bridges. Since the opening of the borders to Eastern Europe, the city has intensified its cultural, political and economic links with the countries in that part of Europe - as was the case here, when Regensburg University's East-West Centre was formally inaugurated in the Imperial Diet Chamber in the Old Town Hall.



Regensburg produces not only top-quality vehicles but also innovative biotechnical research, lots of bright ideas and highly-qualified young people. The excellent degrees obtained by students in some university departments have put them at or near the top of the higher education league tables. Clearly, the stimulating atmosphere in Regensburg makes it particularly easy to study effectively here.



Did you know...

- ... that BMW 3 Series Convertibles and Coupés are manufactured exclusively in Regensburg?
- ... that the microchip in your mobile phone very probably comes from Infineon's Regensburg factory?
- ... that the world's oldest music academy is situated in Regensburg and was recently given university status?
- ... that currently more than 20,000 students are acquiring first-class qualifications at Regensburg's three higher education institutions (University, University of Applied Sciences, College of Church Music)?

Regensburg has a high quality of life. Do come back again!