Speyer – Dom- und Kaiserstadt

Dear visitors!

Dear friends and guests of the city of Speyer! To make your stay with us as pleasant and informative as possible, we have assembled interesting information about the sights of Speyer for you (with 2 and visiting hours).

1 The City Hall (Rathaus) is representative of late baroque architecture. It was erected between 1712 and 1726 (Maximilianstraße 12).

- The Trinity Church (Dreifaltigkeitskirche) was constructed as a Lutheran church during the years 1701 to 1717. It was modelled after St Katherine's church in Frankfurt. Its interior has a richly painted wooden vaulted ceiling, and wood carvings on the pulpit, altar and galleries which in fact are remarkable. A guided tour through the church is possible during a guided sightseeing tour in Speyer. Große Himmelsgasse 4, Wed. and Sat.: 10:30 am–4 pm, Fri.(1.4.-31.10) and Sun. 2 pm-5 pm).
- **3** The Bell Tower (Läutturm) of the Trinity Church (former steeple of the Church of St. George; mentioned in 1312).

4 The Church of the Holy Spirit (Heiliggeistkirche) was the first house of God of the reformed community of Speyer. It was built between 1700 and 1702 (A simple hall structure).

5 The Church of Peace (Friedenskirche) of St. Bernhard was built by Frenchmen and Germans in the years 1953 to 1954.

6 The Gothic Chapel (Gotische Kapelle) (situated in the Adenauerpark) was built in 1516.

7 The Old Mint (Alte Münze) in the Middle Ages the house of the coiners, was replaced by the construction of the "Neues Kaufhaus am Markt" (New Department Store at the Market) in 1748. Until the 19th century it served as an exchange of all trade and business activities on the Rhine. Later it served administrative purposes.

8 The St. Ludwig Church (St. Ludwig) still contains the relicts of the Choir of the Dominican Church that was built in 1266. The church features significant late-Gothic pieces of art: the "Boßweiler Altar" (1485) and a woven antependium (about 1500).

The Purrmann House (Purrmann-Haus) is the birthplace of the painter Hans Purrmann. Permanent exhibition of over 70 of his works. These pieces give a general account of the artistic work of Henri Matisse's associate and friend. (Kleine Greifengasse 14, 2023-77911, Tue.-Fri. 3-5 pm, Sat/Sun. 11 am-1 pm)

10 The Main City Gate (Altpörtel) one of the tallest and most important city gates in Germany. Its lower sections were constructed between 1230 and 1250. The top floor of the tower with its late-Gothic balustrade and the arcades was added 1512 to 1514. Fine view from the top storey and an exhibition about the city fortification (1.4.-31.10., Mon.-Fri. 10 am-12 am, 2-4 pm, Sat./Sun. 10 am-5 pm, entrance fee: \in 1,00-1,50).

- 11 The Memorial Church (Gedächtniskirche) neogothic design, built from 1893 to 1904 in remembrance of the protest of 1529 at the "Reichstag" (Diet of Speyer). First use ever of the word "protestant". Really remarkable are the stained glass church windows and the organ (Bartholomäus-Weltz-Platz 5, Mon. - Sat. 10-12 am, 2-5 pm, Sum. 2-5 pm, summer until 6 pm).
- **12** The St. Joseph's Church (St. Joseph) was built between 1912 and 1914. Remarkable are the stained glass windows.
- 13 The Feuerbach House (Feuerbachhaus) is the birthplace of the painter Anselm Feuerbach, one of the most important painters of the 19th century. This house was converted into a memorial with changing exhibitions and contains a great number of the artist's works (Allerheiligenstr. 9, 2002) 06232-70448, Tue.-Fri. 4 pm-6 pm, Sat./Sun. 11 am-1 pm).

The Jewish Courtyard with the SchPIRA museum and ritual washing bath (Judenhof) which was established before 1128 is the eldest Mikwe (bath complex for ritual cleansing) of its kind in Germany. It has an approximately 33 feet deep well. The eastern walls of the adjacent men's and women's Synagogue are also in good condition. In the adjacent museum the original architectural decoration of the synagoge and ritual bath are on display. (Kleine Pfaffengasse 21, 1.1. – 30.3., Tue. – Sun. 10 am-4 pm, 1.4.-31.10., Mon.-Sun. 10 am – 5 pm, 1.11.-31.12. Tue.-Sun. 10 am-4 pm, 2002-291971, entrance fee: €1,00-3,00).

15 The Historic Museum of the Palatinate (Historisches Museum der Pfalz) was built from 1907 to 1910. Collections and artefacts from the Stone Age to the present can be seen, also the Cathedral Treasure, the Wine Museum and changing exhibitions (Domplatz 4, 2002) 06232-620222, Tue.-Sun. 10 am-6 pm).

16 The Cathedral of Speyer (Dom zu Speyer) belongs to the diocese of Spever. A Romanesque basilica founded by the Emperor Conrad II in 1030. It was consecrated in 1061. It is one of the largest and most impressive romanesque edifices in Germany. The size of its tall arcades outmeasures all other structures built in the 11th Century. The Cathedral was partly destroyed in 1689. The crypt deserves special attention since it is preserved in its almost unaltered original condition. The Cathedral contains the tombs of eight German emperors and kings, and several bishops. In 1981 the church building was added to the UNESCO list of "World Cultural Heritage" (Nov.-Mar.: Mon.-Sat. 9 am-5 pm, Sun. 12 am-5 pm / Apr.-Oct.: Mon.-Sat. 9 am-7 pm, Sun. 12 am-5 pm). Guided tours of the cathedral; Domkapitel Speyer, 2 06232-102118, Fax: domfuehrungen@bistum-spever.de. 06232-102119, E-Mail: www.bistum-speyer.de.

17 The Technical Museum of Speyer (Technik Museum Speyer) is situated between the Cathedral of Speyer and the airfield. The

historic and therefore protected "Liller Hall" exhibits objects pertaining to the fields of aviation, rail-travel, firefighting and shipbuilding. Also attractive the IMAX-Dome-filmtheatre (Am Technik Museum 1, ☎ 06232-67080, Mon.-Sun. 9 am-6 pm).

- 18 Sea Life, in the aquarium you can discover the different species in our rivers, lakes and the sea from the sticklebacks to the seahorses and sharks. A breath taking journey from the river Rhine to the depths of the oceans. (Im Hafenbecken 5, ☎ 06232-69780, daily from 10 am).
- 19 The Becher House (Johann-Joachim-Becher-Haus) is the memorial for Johann Joachim Becher, a famous scientist of Speyer (1635-1682). (Kleine Pfaffengasse 21, ☎ 06232-291971, sightseeing offered asking for permission.)
- 20 Memorial for Sophie la Roche (Gedenkstätte für Sophie la Roche) was opened in 2005 on the occasion of the 275. birthday of the authoress Sophie la Roche (1731-1807), who published the first ladies' magazine ever. (Maximilianstraße 99, Mon.-Fri., 10 am-6 pm, Sat. 10 am-4 pm, Sun. 10 am-4 pm)
- 21 Art Centre Flachsgasse (Kulturhof Flachsgasse) the Speyer Art Society and city gallery offer changing and special exhibitions on a 700 m² exhibition area. (Flachsgasse 3, ☎ 06232-142399, Thurs.-Sun., 11 am-6 pm)
- 222 Archaeological show case (Archäologisches Schaufenster) shows special exhibitions about archaeological excavations of the Palatina. (Gilgenstraße 13, 206232-675740, Tue.-Sun. 11 am-5 pm)
- 23 Memorial to Dr. Eugen Jäger (1842-1926) (Gedenkstätte für Dr. Eugen Jäger) royal privy councillor, publisher, publicist and politician. Founder of the conservative "Pfälzer Zeitung" (Palatinate Newspaper) and founder of the Centrist Party of Speyer. (Kleine Pfaffengasse 20/21, 2022-291971, access via the SchPIRA Jewish Courtyard Museum, 1.1. 30.3., Tue. Sun. 10 am-4 pm, 1.4.-31.10., Mon.-Sun. 10 am–5 pm, 1.11.-31.12. Tue.-Sun. 10 am-4 pm).
- Memorial to Martin Greif (1839-1911) (Gedenkstätte für Martin Greif) important lyricist and playwright, who is regarded as an imitator of the classicists and important nature-centered lyric poets of his time. (Kleine Pfaffengasse 20/21, 206232-291971, access via the SchPIRA Jewish Courtyard Museum, 1.1. 30.3., Tue. Sun. 10 am-4 pm, 1.4.-31.10., Mon.-Sun. 10 am–5 pm, 1.11.-31.12. Tue.-Sun. 10 am-4 pm).

We wish you a pleasant and interesting stay!

Business Hours:

01.11.-31.03.: Mon.-Fri.: 9 am-5 pm, Sat.: 10 am-12am 01.04.-31.10.: Mon.-Fri.: 9 am-5 pm, Sat.: 10 am-3 pm, Sun. and public holidays: 10 am-2 pm

- 1 Rathaus
- 2 Dreifaltigkeitskirche
- 3 Läutturm
- 4 Heiliggeistkirche
- 5 Friedenskirche St. Bernhard
- 6 Gotische Kapelle
- 7 Alte Münz
- 8 St. Ludwig
- 9 Purrmann-Haus
- 10 Altpörtel
- 11 Gedächtniskirche
- 12 St. Joseph
- 13 Feuerbachhaus
- 14 Judenhof mit Museum SchPIRA und Mikwe
- **15** HISTORISCHES MUSEUM DER PFALZ SPEYER
- 16 Dom zu Speyer
- 17 TECHNIK MUSEUM SPEYER
- 18 SEA LIFE Speyer
- 19 Johann-Joachim-Becher-Haus
- 20 Sophie-La-Roche-Haus
- 21 Kulturhof Flachsgasse
- 22 Archäologisches Schaufenster
- 23 Gedenkstätte für Dr. Eugen Jäger
- 24 Gedenkstätte für Martin Greif

1 Tourist-Information Stadt Speyer

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1.4. – 31.10. Mo – Fr 9 – 17 Uhr, Sa 10 – 15 Uhr, So + Feiertags 10 – 14 Uhr und 1.11. – 31.3. Mo–Fr 9 – 17 Uhr, Sa 10 – 12 Uhr

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