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# SIEGBURG



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### INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Siegburg – a city made for explorers, families, culture lovers, food enthusiasts, and anyone looking for a place that feels both lively and full of heart.

Nestled between Cologne and Bonn, Siegburg is the perfect mix of tradition, creativity, and natural beauty. With nearly 44,000 residents and a history stretching back almost a thousand years, the city is both charmingly historic and refreshingly modern.

Whether you're here for a weekend getaway, a cultural adventure, or simply a good time – Siegburg belongs on your bucket list.

Discover a city where medieval walls meet modern cafés, where music fills the air, and where locals still say hello with a smile.

# CITY HISTORY

Siegburg's story begins long before it was officially founded around the year 1060. Archaeological finds show that people settled here as early as the Stone Age. The city owes its name and early growth to Archbishop Anno II of Cologne, who built a Benedictine monastery on the Siegburg hill – today's **Michaelsberg** – turning a small settlement into a flourishing town.

Over the centuries, Siegburg became famous for its **ceramics**, producing stoneware so fine and bright that it rivaled porcelain. The city's trade links through the Hanseatic routes helped its pottery travel to royal courts across Europe. Later, the industrial era brought textile printing and munitions factories – turning Siegburg into an important economic hub of the Rhineland.

Today, the city has transformed once again: from an industrial base to a modern center of shopping, culture, and creativity, connected to the world via its ICE railway station.



## OVERVIEW

The best way to experience Siegburg? Simply wander.

The city is compact and full of discoveries – best explored on foot.

Use the QR code to explore the city on your own with our City Walk.



At its heart lies the Historic Market Square, a vibrant meeting point surrounded by elegant facades, cafés, and boutiques. Here, history and everyday life blend beautifully: from the weekly market with fresh local produce to festive concerts and the magical Medieval Christmas Market.



Nearby stands the Victory Monument, Siegburg's remarkable 19th-century column topped by the Roman goddess Victoria – a reminder of peace and courage.



**The Victory Monument**

A few steps further, the Basilica of St. Servatius impresses with its Romanesque architecture and one of the most significant church treasures in the world.

And above it all, the Michaelsberg Abbey watches over the city – Siegburg's unmistakable landmark. Once a monastery, then a fortress, hospital, and even a prison, it now houses the Catholic Social Institute and offers panoramic views over the Rhine valley

**St. Servatius Church**



## NATURE & LEISURE

Beyond the city streets, Siegburg opens into a world of green valleys, forests, and rivers. Perfect for hiking, cycling, or simply breathing deeply.



### The Natursteig Sieg trail

stretches for nearly 200 kilometers through untouched landscapes, following the river Sieg. Its 14 segments are ideal for both day trips and long adventures – each one starting and ending at a train station for easy travel.



For shorter trips, the Sieg Discovery Trails offer 28 themed routes, from family-friendly fairy-tale walks to scenic hill paths and adventurous climbs. Cyclists can follow the Sieg River Cycle Path, a 64-kilometer ride through meadows and villages, with countless places to rest and refuel.



### The Wahnbach Reservoir

provides drinking water for hundreds of thousands but is also a serene destination for hiking and nature photography. And for those who prefer action: Siegburg's Oktopus indoor diving center – Germany's largest – invites you to explore underwater worlds all year round.



## CULTURE

Few towns of its size can claim such a rich cultural heritage.



At the Siegburg City Museum, history comes alive – from prehistoric times to modern art.



City Museum of Siegburg

The museum occupies the house where composer Engelbert Humperdinck was born. His opera Hänsel and Gretel is among the most performed in the world. Inside, visitors can discover centuries of craftsmanship, from world-renowned Siegburg ceramics to exhibitions of contemporary art. Regular workshops, concerts, and performances transform the museum into a living cultural hub.

Siegburg proudly celebrates its ceramic tradition with the Siegburg International Ceramic Prize, honoring innovative ceramic art from around the globe, and the annual International Ceramics Market, where artists and craftspeople fill the streets with color, creativity, and inspiration. These events emphasize Siegburg's enduring commitment to the craft, connecting its historical significance with contemporary excellence. They serve as a vital cultural magnet, attracting both established collectors and new enthusiasts to the city.



## EVENTS & EXPERIENCES

Siegburg knows how to celebrate – from high culture to heartfelt street life. QR code links to all upcoming events.



The city's calendar is packed:

The International Ceramics Market, annually on the second weekend of July. Visit the link for details: [www.keramik-stadt-siegburg.de](http://www.keramik-stadt-siegburg.de)



European Days of Arts & Crafts, at the Beginning April. Visit the link for details: [www.tourismus-siegburg.de/kunsthandwerk-in-siegburg](http://www.tourismus-siegburg.de/kunsthandwerk-in-siegburg)

Siegburg Summer Live free open-air concerts every Wednesday in the summer, starting at 6 p.m. Visit the link for details: [www.siegburg-sommerlive.de](http://www.siegburg-sommerlive.de)



Siegburg City Festival Experience the heart of Siegburg at the City Festival! Enjoy music, food, and market fun for the family. Visit the link for details: [www.stadtfest-siegburg.de](http://www.stadtfest-siegburg.de)

Medieval Christmas Market where history comes alive with authentic crafts, festive tunes, and delicious food. Visit the link for details: [www.mittelalterlicher-markt-siegburg.de](http://www.mittelalterlicher-markt-siegburg.de)



Add to that wine festivals, antique fairs, and comedy nights at the City Museum, and you'll see why Siegburg's event scene is so beloved. From street music to chamber concerts, every day holds something worth discovering.

## TASTE, SHOPPING & LIFESTYLE

Discover new flavors on every corner in Siegburg.



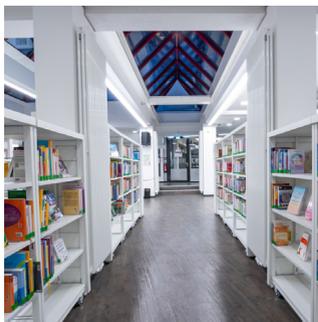
Start your day with a hearty breakfast or a creamy cappuccino at one of the many cafés around the Market Square. For lunch or dinner, choose between regional favorites, international cuisine, vegan treats, or traditional Brauhaus fare.



The weekly market is a feast for the senses – with local produce, flowers, and homemade delicacies.

Shopping is just as tempting: small boutiques, independent stores, and designer shops invite you to

stroll and explore. And don't miss the museum shop, where you can find ceramic, Siegburg honey, and even liqueur distilled from old monastery recipes.



## ACCOMMODATION & BUSINESS

Stay a little longer – it's worth it.

With over 600 beds available, Siegburg offers everything from boutique hotels and cozy B&Bs to modern business accommodation. Some even offer rooftop bars with a view of Michaelsberg.

For business travelers, the RHEIN SIEG FORUM is the largest conference venue between Cologne and Bonn – bright, modern, and centrally located. Whether for congresses, exhibitions, or corporate celebrations, its flexible spaces and excellent connections make Siegburg an ideal business destination.

### Getting Here & Contact

Getting to Siegburg couldn't be easier:

- Cologne and Bonn: 30 minutes by car or train
- Cologne Bonn Airport: 15 minutes by train
- Frankfurt Airport: 40 minutes by ICE

From Siegburg, all of Germany – and much of Europe – is within easy reach.

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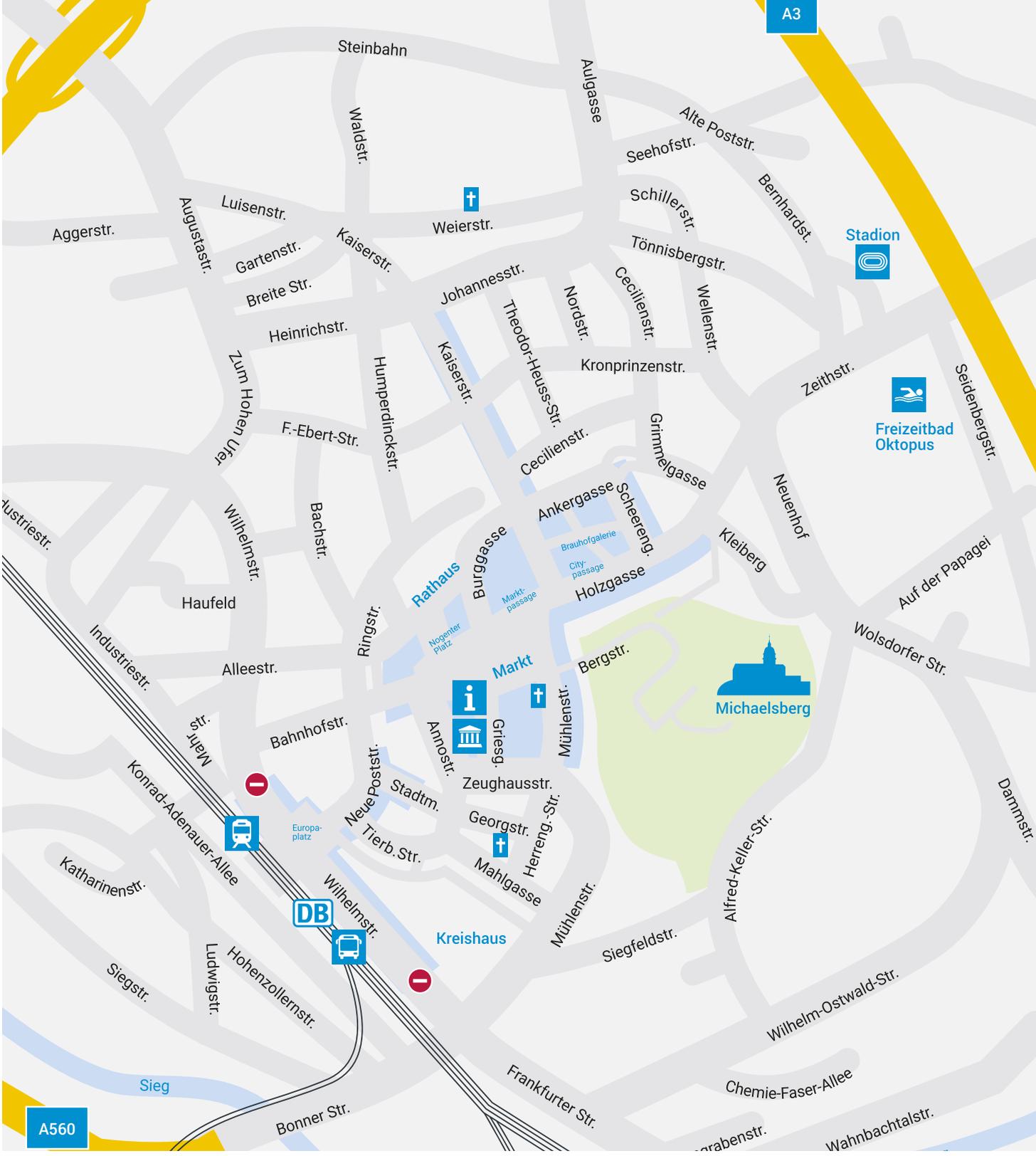
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RHEIN SIEG FORUM : [www.rhein-sieg-forum.de](http://www.rhein-sieg-forum.de)

Siegburg – where history breathes, culture thrives, and life feels just right.



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