



Brother Grimm House, Steinau



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German Fairy Tale Route



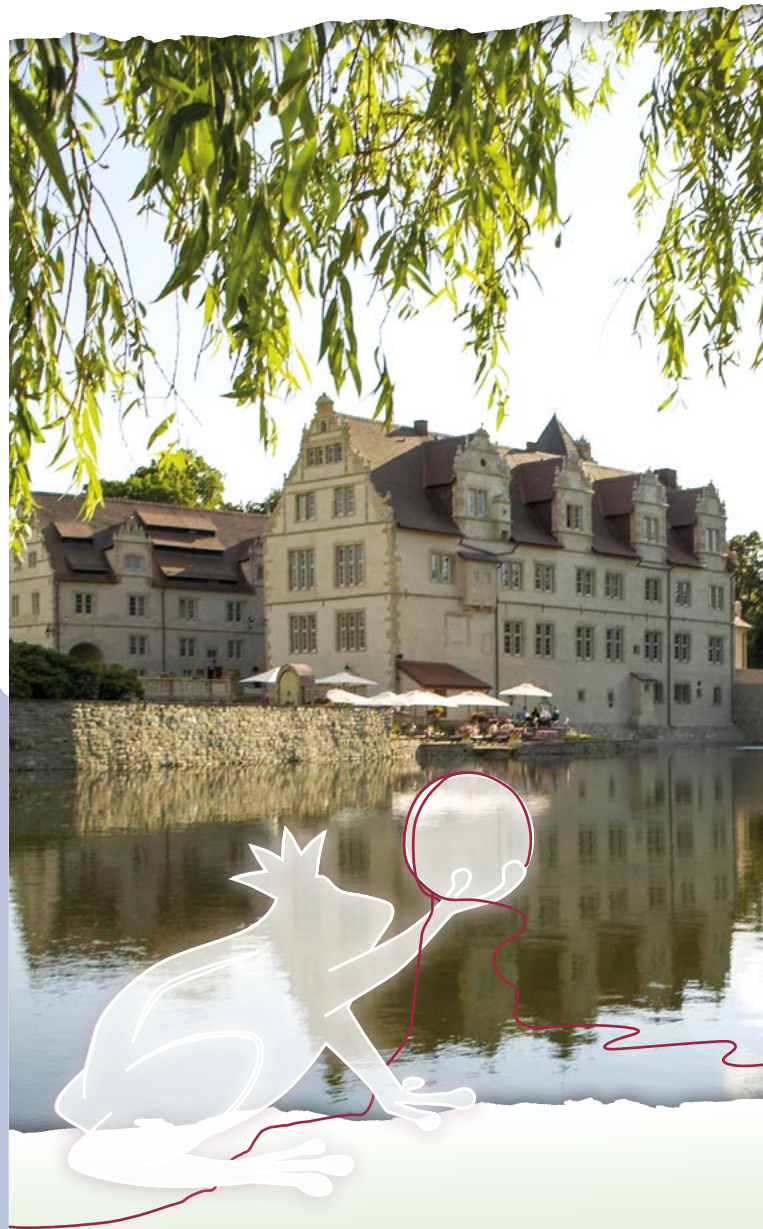
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Cultural destinations on the German Fairy Tale Route



More than fairy tales ...



Marie-Luise Marjan – ambassador of fairytales in Hanau

Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty, Snow White - the fairy tales of the Brothers Grimm are world famous. They can be experienced on the German Fairy Tale Route. And much more, besides.

The Brothers Grimm cities of Hanau and Steinau as well as Marburg, Kassel and Göttingen offer different approaches to the life and work of Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm. Fairytale events for young and old are part of the fixed annual programme, but here the famous brothers can also be experienced as multi-faceted, committed cultural workers. The GRIMMWELT Kassel, for example, presents the „German Dictionary“ as a fascinating universe; the city and the University of Göttingen recall the politically committed scholars and their important publications such as „German Mythology“ and „Reineke Fuchs“.

Fairy tales, sagas and legends, historical accounts and tales as well as half a dozen testimonies of the UNESCO World Heritage of Humanity characterise the unique route from Hanau to Bremen and Buxtehude. Fairytale houses and museums, festivals and guided tours, castles and palaces, villages and towns present countless valuable cultural experiences for Brothers Grimm enthusiasts and lovers of fairy tales.

On the Brothers Grimms' Track



Hanau – Brothers-Grimm-City

The magnificent Philippsruhe Castle with the Museum Grimms-MärchenReich, the spacious amphitheatre with the annual Brothers Grimm Festival, the Brothers Grimm National Monument as the starting point of the German Fairy Tale Route and a large-scale fairytale festival in the castle park: as the birthplace of the world-famous brothers, Hanau offers numerous enchanting experiences, and invites you to follow the traces of the Grimm family not only on guided tours through the city.

Steinau – Brothers-Grimm-City

Around the marketplace the childhood of Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm still seems to be noticeable. The "Brothers Grimm House" makes their life and work understandable.

Alsfeld

This is where Little Red Riding Hood can be experienced: in the "Fairy Tale House", on a booked city tour or quite surprisingly in the alleys of the idyllic little half-timbered town.

Willingshausen

Workplace of the "painter brother" Ludwig Emil Grimm. "Malerstübchen" and Kunsthalle cultivate the heritage of the oldest artists' association in Europe.

Waldeck Castle

A unique place high above the lake Edersee: former knight's castle, castle museum with dungeon, 4-star superior hotel, venue during the "Literary Spring" festival.

Fairytale guard Schauenburg

Once a fire station, today a unique cultural and meeting place in the spirit of the Brothers Grimm and their fairytale tellers - designed by Ali Schindehütte.



Kassel

Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm spent the longest period of their lives in Kassel; today they are almost omnipresent: city tours tracing their footsteps, the exhibition house GRIMMWELT, the Fairy Tale Christmas market and the Brothers Grimm Festival every summer in the historic park of Schönfeld. In July and August the Fairy Tale Festival, musical and children's theatre offer a colourful programme based on the Brothers Grimm fairy tales for the whole family.

Hessisch Lichtenau

Through the "Gateway to the Mother Hulda Land" into the realm of legends and fairy tales at the Hohe Meißner: "Holleum" with the four worlds of Mother Hulda, circular route, and guided tours.



Seven Castles and Palaces

The castles and palaces of Bevern, Bückeburg, Corvey, Fürstenberg, Hämelschenburg, Pyrmont and the castle hotel Münchhausen: seven cultural-historical jewels around the Pied Piper town of Hameln present portals, libraries, halls and parks, as well as provide insights into the history and stories of courtly life. And they invite you to cultural and culinary experiences in an incomparable, often enchanting fairytale ambience.



Göttingen

A journey in the footsteps of Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm inevitably leads to Göttingen, the multifaceted city of science and culture with a history of over 1000 years. Here, at the then and now famous Georg-August University, the two brothers were active as librarians and professors from 1829 to 1837, and with the "Göttingen Seven" they set momentous personal and social political initiatives.

Bodenwerder

Baron von Münchhausen, the "Liar Baron", was born here in 1720. There is a fabulous annual programme in honour of his 300th birthday, not only in the Münchhausen Museum.

Hameln

The Pied Piper is world-famous - and can be found almost everywhere in Hameln: in the museum, on guided tours, at the Pied Piper open-air play or the musical "RATS".

Bad Oeynhausen

The German Fairy Tale and Weser Legend Museum: exhibitions, library, storytelling evenings, workshops - invitations to the world of fairy tales and legends.

Wiedensahl

Surprises always happen/where you don't expect them". Wilhelm Busch is also present on the German Fairy Tale Route - in his birthplace Wiedensahl.

Buxtehude

"Ick bün al hier!" - Having arrived in Buxtehude, at the northernmost point of the German Fairy Tale Route, where the dogs bark with their tails, with hare and hedgehog: fountains, guided tours, events and even door handles remind us of the fairy tale concerning the unequal race. The 3rd International Fairy Tale Festival in September 2020 will bring even more fairytale liveliness to the tranquil city town with its maritime flair.

