### **OPENING TIMES** MUSEUM

March 15 - November 15	vice and the second
Mon – Fri	9 am - 5 pm
Sat, Sun, public holidays	10 am - 6 pm
December 25 – January 6	
daily	$10\mathrm{am} - 4\mathrm{pm}$

### **OBSERVATION TOWER**

March 15 - November 1	15
Mon – Fri	
Sat, Sun, public holidays	10.30 am - 6 pm
Last entry	
30 minutes before closing	

### **ADMISSIONS**

closed on New Year's Eve

Adult	
Concessions / discounts	5€
Family 2 adults	14€
Family 1 adult	7€

Children under 6 years	free
Students in class groups	
Groups of 15 or more persons	
Open castle tour (+ admission)	3,50€

### SCHOOL CLASSES AND GROUPS

Museum and Observation Tower

Due to restructuring, no educational programmes can be offered in the exhibitions at the moment. Individual museum visits (e.g. with a fortress guiz) are of course still possible. However, it's essential to book in advance on +49 851 396 800 or at anmeldung-oberhausmuseum@passau.de.



The shuttle bus runs during museum opening hours. Departure every half hour from Rathausplatz. Information on timetable and tickets at www.oberhausmuseum.de.



# FOOTPATH

Via the Battlement Walk, with a beautiful view of Passau, the footpath leads you directly to the Outer Bailey. Duration of ascent: approx. 15 minutes.



# VEHICLE ACCESS AND PARKING

You can access the fortress via Neue Rieser Strasse or via Ferdinand-Wagner-Strasse. The free visitor car park is located at the end of Rennweg above the fortress. Address for satnay systems: Veste Oberhaus Parkplatz, 94034 Passau.



# ELEVATOR

The elevator takes you from the visitor car park to the Outer Bailey and to the Oberhausmuseum, as well as to the panoramic terrace on the New Rampart.

# HIKING TRAILS

The Gampertsteig trail also passes through the Natura 2000 nature reserve "Oberhauserleite", which surrounds Veste Oberhaus. The ascent takes around 20 minutes and starts at Angerstrasse. Four long-distance hiking trails also meet at the visitor car park above Veste Oberhaus: the Donaupanoramaweg, the Goldsteig, the Ilztalwanderweg and the Donausteig.

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# EXPERIENCE HISTORY IN ONE OF EUROPE'S LARGEST CASTLES

High above Passau, on the Georgsberg, stands one of the largest and best-preserved castles in Europe: Veste Oberhaus.

Founded in 1219 as a stronghold and residence for the prince-bishops of Passau, the castle has successfully withstood many threats over the centuries. In the Renaissance, it was extended to include state rooms and became "Oberhaus palace". In the 17th century, modern fortifications were added to make it the fortress it is today.

History comes to life in a unique way within its walls, which are more than 800 years old. Where the prince-bishops of Passau once resided, the Oberhausmuseum now presents exciting exhibitions on medieval life in the castle, the eventful history of Passau, and its importance as a trading centre on three rivers. Historical weapons, shining suits of armour, Gothic panel paintings and many other valuable exhibits invite you to take a journey into the past.

At the heart of Veste Oberhaus is St George's Chapel, with its unique cycle of 14th century frescoes.

From the observation tower and from the Linde Battery you can enjoy spectacular panoramic views of the Bavarian Forest, Passau's historic Old Town, and the confluence of the rivers Danube, Inn and Ilz.





# TIPS FOR FAMILIES

Discover - Marvel - Participate

Turn your visit to the fortress into an adventure trip for the whole family with the Veste Oberhaus App. Together with the kestrel Pilgrim, you can go on a discovery tour with tricky quiz questions and a photo station. Little detectives can discover mysterious routes through the exhibitions and the fortress grounds with the **fortress** quiz booklet. In the exhibitions, you will find numerous activity stations where you can experience for yourself that life in a fortress was mainly cold and dark, shoes were uncomfortable, and several knight's helmets offered a surprisingly small field of vision. There is also a special family tour (in German) of the fortress every first Sunday of the month at 2 pm from May to October.



### **EVENT DATES 2025**

# Day of provenance research

Wed, April 9 | 6 pm

**Easter Sunday** 

Sun, April 20 | 10 am — 6 pm

Concert in the Hans Wimmer Collection

Tue, April 29 | 6 pm

International Museum Day Sun, May 18 | 10 am — 6 pm

"Burgenfestspiele" classic music festival Sun, June 22 — Sun, July 20

**Summer Cinema** 

Wed, July 30-Sun, August 10

## Open Monument Day

Sun, September 14 | 10 am - 6 pm

Concert in St George's Chapel

Thu, October 9 | 6 pm

Children's Cinema

Wed, October 29 - Fri, October 31

**Guided Tour of the Castle for Families** 

Every first Sunday from May to October  $\mid$  2 pm

**Open Castle Tour** 

Every first Sunday from May to October | 3 pm

Please note: all tours are in German.
For more information on the programme of events and registration please visit www.oberhausmuseum.de.



# **OBSERVATION TOWER**



# 360° Panorama

Spectacular views of Passau and the surrounding area from the top platform. The tower features a multimedia presentation on the rich history of castles and palaces in the Inn-Salzach-Danube region.



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Museum Tour | Permanent Exhibitions

# Passau – Myth and History

The history of the city of Passau from its beginnings to the fall of the prince-bishopric in 1803.

### Hans Wimmer Collection

A cross-section of the artistic work of the sculptor Hans Wimmer.

# Fascination Middle Ages – Earthly Life

Everyday life and living conditions of the simple servants in the fortress and the luxury of the princebishop's court.

# Fascination Middle Ages – Spiritual Life

The central influence of religion on the development of art in the Middle Ages and masterpieces of late Gothic art.

# **Historical Apothecary**

Passau's 17th-century court pharmacy with its sumptuously decorated furnishings.

# Inner Courtyard

The oldest part of the castle complex with fountain and treadwheel crane.

# St George's Chapel

Located in the heart of the fortress with a unique fresco cycle dating from the 14th century.

# Guilds and Craft - The mystery of the brotherhoods

On the trail of craftsmen, their guilds and brotherhoods through medieval Passau.

# **Passauer Porcelain**

Filigree rococo couples, Napoleonic soldiers and many other objects from the Lenck porcelain manufactory in Passau.

## **Bohemian Forest Museum**

Documentation of the history of the German-speaking population of the Bohemian Forest.

# Fire Museum

Equipment and uniforms of the Lower Bavarian fire brigades from the 17th to the 20th century. (Probably not accessible before summer 2025)

# Three Rivers View

The most beautiful panoramic view of the picturesque old town and the famous confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers.

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